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# Premier Dance Academy

## **LOST PROPERTY**

Over this term we have accumulated a lot of lost property.

Please check the lost property box for any lost items, as at the end of this term we will be donating all lost property to a charity.

*Please do not take things that are not yours from Lost Property as people often come looking for their items the following week.*

## **Diary Dates**

3rd Term	Monday 11th July— Saturday 17th September
4th Term	Monday 3rd October—Sunday 11th December
Term 4 Enrolments Due By:	Saturday 17th September— <u>No Phone Bookings until Monday 19/09/2011</u>
2012 Enrolments Open	Monday 12th September— See Page 2 <u>No Phone Bookings taken</u>
Concert Ticket Sales	Tuesday 1st November (see page 3)
Rehearsal at the Theatre	Monday 5th— Thursday 8th December
End of Year Concert	Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th December. New Venue—St Laurence's College
End of 2011 Classes	Saturday 3rd December
Summer School 2012	17th— 21st January 2012
Ballet Tests Ballet Exams	17th and 18th September October 3rd—approximate date

## **Reminders**

- **ALL students need to re book** for 4th term. More information on page 4.
- **Food, Drinks** (except water) and **Pets** are not permitted on our premises.
- **Car parking**—please use the Centro Car park and street parking. Please note that the car park in front and behind the adjacent centre (TAB and SNAP Gym) are not for our use and cars have been towed. We thank you for your patience while maintenance work is carried out in the downstairs car park.
- We are a **NUT FREE ZONE**—please do not eat these products on our premises.
- Our **toilets** are for Premier Dance families only, if you suspect that they are being used by someone from the general public please advise a staff member.
- At our Milton Branch—for the **safety** of our quieter time classes you will need a PIN to enter our hallway. Please see the teacher in studio 2 for the PIN access—this will change each term.
- Before and after classes we strongly encourage our students to **wait inside** the building for you and that they wear **street clothes** over their leotards. **Dance shoes** should not be worn outside the studios.
- **No make up lessons or new enrolments** are available in Term 4 due to concert work.

**ALL CONCERT AND REHEARSAL TIMES ARE ON THE WEBSITE AND THE NOTICEBOARD—Please ensure you take into account the change in R.A.D Grades when looking for your child's time! E.g. Primary will be Grade 1 and Grade 1 will be Grade 2.**

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## Important Information for Primary (1st year) Ballet Students

Next year some Pre-Primary students will be required to attend 2 lessons per week in 2011 if they are moving up to Primary. This is essential to achieve the desired goals which are to cover the R.A.D. syllabus, gain strength & suppleness of the body, and attain the high standards for which we aim.

If you do not wish your child to attend two lessons they may do a second year of Pre-Primary Ballet (once a week) Hip Hop (8 years by December 2012), Jazz, Tap or Singing .

Please consider the following information before deciding whether to choose Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop or Singing.

### **Classical Ballet**

Classes can lead to a career for some students whether it be as a classical, contemporary or commercial dancer, a Primary or High school teacher (specialising in dance with a secondary subject after gaining their B.A. in Dance) or as a complement to another field such as physiotherapy, psychology, occupational therapy or as an administrator of a dance company or dance school. It is possible to enrol in a Bachelor of Fine Arts (Dance) through audition and O.P. score. Further, their Advanced 1 & 2 R.A.D. examination results can contribute to their senior school certificates and can help to lift their O.P. score.

Most importantly, as teachers, we feel the journey students go on as part of their classical dance training is invaluable. Through our teaching we observe the students gaining self-discipline, co-ordination, poise, confidence and a great appreciation and understanding of the arts.

**Jazz, Tap & Hip Hop**, classes are loads of fun and great exercise. The students enjoy these classes and through them improve in co-ordination, flexibility and confidence. These styles require the development of a different style of technique to classical ballet, but alone without classical training these styles will not give the student the skills required to have a career in dance.

**Singing**, is a wonderful art form which, when combined with dance, can lead to a career in musical theatre. It will help immensely with building students' confidence and is also great fun.

**Speech and Drama:** These classes will be based around expressions of interest. Please register your interest at the office!

## Rebooking for 2012

**Enrolments for 2012 will now be placed online, from MONDAY 12th SEPTEMBER.**

The **2012 Timetable** is now on the website [www.thepremierdance.com](http://www.thepremierdance.com) (under **Enrol 2012**) and also on the notice board.

In order to enrol, a \$60 deposit is payable via our online booking process. This will hold your place in your first selected class over the Christmas break and will be deducted off your Term 1, 2012 fees. In order to enrol in further classes, an additional \$25 is payable per class and this will also be deducted off Term 1, 2012's fees.

These deposits are only refundable until the 3rd of December 2011.

**MANY CLASSES DO BOOK OUT VERY QUICKLY SO TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT PLEASE PLACE YOUR BOOKING ONLINE FROM MONDAY 12th SEPTEMBER.**

**TO BE FAIR TO ALL STUDENTS WE CANNOT ACCEPT ANY ENROLMENTS BEFORE THIS DATE.**

**ONLY ONLINE BOOKINGS MAY BE MADE.**

**BOOKINGS WILL ONLY BE SECURED ONCE DEPOSITS ARE RECEIVED AS PER THE ONLINE BOOKING PROCESS.**

### **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT INFORMATION WHEN ENROLLING YOUR CHILD FOR 2012:**

- Ballet (Pre-Primary to Grade 5) — the grade for your child on your invoice is your child's current grade not the grade they will be in after the exam. When enrolling your child please ensure you enrol them in the grade they will be in after their exam (eg. Current Grade: Pre-Primary — Grade after exam: Primary or Current Grade: Primary — Grade after Exam: Grade 1 or Current Grade: Grade 1 — Grade after Exam: Grade 2)
- Toddler Dance — turning 3 years by December 2012
- Creative Dance — turning 4 years by December 2012
- Pre - Prep Dance — turning 5 years by December 2012
- Prep Dance — turning 5 years between July 1st 2011 and June 30th 2012 — Must be in Prep at school
- Pre-Primary — turning 6 years between July 1st 2011 and June 30th 2012 — Must be in Grade 1 at school
- Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop & Singing — ages groups are as per the 2012 timetable

## End of Year Concert - Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th of December

Your performance and rehearsal times are now on the notice board and on the website (under PDA Performances).

Each performance is approximately 2 hours long.

*More information regarding make up, arrival times etc will be sent next term.*

As per our last newsletter in Term 3 we have changed our venue due to many factors, including some major construction work at Stuartholme School. The new venue is the Edmund Rice Performing Arts Complex at St Laurence's College. This is situated behind the Mater Children's Hospital, 82 Stephens Road, South Brisbane.

While we are disappointed that we will not be at Stuartholme School this year, we are very thrilled to have access to this brand new venue. The facilities include: 1500 seat fully air conditioned auditorium, a large stage (double the size), 6 level car parking—the car park lift takes you directly into the theatre.

In the Term 2 newsletter (see the website if you wish to read it again) we gave you as much information as was available to us so that you could make an informed decision before committing to the event. Please note that the change of venue will alter the following and if you wish to withdraw from the event we will be happy to refund costume levy until September 17th.

As all costumes must be finalised and ordered by August, please advise us as soon as possible if you wish to withdraw or join our concert event. No refunds can be processed after **September 17th**.

While there is street parking behind the venue, the most convenient car parking will be in the multi level car park. We are currently awaiting a discounted price for access to the car park after 2pm on the days of our rehearsals and a flat all day rate on the weekend of our shows.

We will advise you of this as soon as we are made aware, however we have a rough estimate of \$15 per entry. For older students there is a drop off area near the stage door at the back of the theatre. We would encourage you to use the drop off area or carpool to avoid the costs of the multi level car park.

### TICKETS

**TICKETS will be sold online this year from Tuesday November 1st through a ticketing website and will be emailed to you.**

More information regarding this process will be given out in Term 4.

If you need to watch more than one show in order to see all your children's items, we will give you two complimentary tickets in our reserved section.

**IF YOUR CHILD IS ONLY IN ONE PERFORMANCE PLEASE ENSURE YOU GET YOUR TICKETS IMMEDIATELY AS SHOWS DO SELL OUT.**

**Performers do not require tickets.**

### JAZZ & TAP STUDENTS

Please note that ALL Jazz students are required to have Tan coloured shoes for the concert.

Most classes may also need to purchase Jazz tights—more information in Term 4.

### DVDS

We are using the same DVD company as last year. Orders will be done online. Further information will be available early in Term 4, the cost is approximately \$65 for each DVD.

**Due to music copyright laws no other videoing will be allowed in the theatre.**

### PHOTO WEEK @ The Milton Studios

Monday 21st November – Saturday 26th November

All children will have a photo taken with their class. Solo photos will be taken of those children whose parents have nominated this option on the booking order form, which will be handed out early in Term 4. There will be more detailed information regarding these matters in Term 4. As the costumes are kept at the theatre this is the only opportunity to get a photo in costume. However, it is not compulsory to purchase the photos.

## The CHARITY PERFORMANCES IN JUNE were a great success and we raised **\$9,000**

Premier Dance Academy donated \$ 4 500 to the Mater Children's Hospital and the Sayers Dance Centre donated \$ 4 500 to the Endeavour Foundation who aid the Intellectually handicapped. This includes the canteen and raffle profits from the June performance and from last year's end of year concert.

Thank you to all those who donated their time and raffle items on the day, including Premier Dance staff and The Queensland Ballet Company. The performers were all fantastic and had a great time. We had almost 2 full houses, thank you mostly to the dancers, well done Kids!

**Due to concert work there are no new enrolments or make up lessons in Term 4.**  
**The only exception is Toddler Dance as they are not in the concert.**

### Bumper Sticker Winners

Those people displaying our bumper sticker are eligible to win a % off one student's Term 4 2010 fees.

50% off term fees to car reg. 516 JWY

20% off term fees to car reg. 829 IUJ

10% off term fees to car reg. 732 GXW

If you are a winner contact the office A.S.A.P. We spot 3 numbers every term.

**STICKERS ARE AVAILABLE**  
**FROM THE OFFICE**  
**FREE OF CHARGE**

### SUMMER SCHOOL 2012

JANUARY 17TH— 21ST 2012

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST WITH THE  
OFFICE FOR CLASSES.

#### **Second Hand** **Leotards**

Please feel free to advertise your second hand leotards on the notice board located in the hallway at the academy entry.

**Do we have your current details (address, phone numbers and email address)?**

**Please advise us if you have recently moved, changed phone numbers or email address.**

### Rebooking for Term 4

#### **Rebook for Term 4**

In order to rebook and retain your place in classes for term 4, please forward your term 4 tuition payment to the office no later than **Saturday 17th September**.

In order to ensure a fair system for all families, invoices (attached to this newsletter) are handed out in week 8 of this Term, giving everyone 3 weeks to rebook. **Re-enrolment is due by Saturday 17th September. If the account is finalised by the due date you will receive a \$20 incentive discount per student. Re-enrolment received after this date cannot receive this discount.**

To avoid disappointment please note that if you have not rebooked by this date we will assume that you no longer wish to hold a place in that class. Your place will then become available to others from Monday September 19th or in some cases if numbers are insufficient, the class may be cancelled.

**NO PHONE BOOKINGS CAN BE MADE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 19TH.**

From all of the staff at the academy we thank you for dancing with us this Term.

We wish you all a safe holiday and look forward to seeing you again in Term 4, as we endeavour to continue to foster your child's love of dance.