



WELCOME

Welcome to Danceworks Performing Arts Studio 2018. I hope everyone enjoyed their holiday and the festive season. Danceworks Performing Arts Studio (DWPAS) pride ourselves on being a **fun, friendly** and **affordable** dance studio. In 2017, we offered students many opportunities including performing at competitions, NRL games, school fetes and our big event of the year was performing on the P & O Explorer. We aim to teach students in an environment that is open and friendly, giving students the opportunity to excel and at the same time having fun and loving the performing arts, just as our teachers do. 2018 will be another exciting year ahead for us here at DWPAS. We have new teachers joining us and added more classes to our weekly timetable. I really look forward to a fantastic year ahead and ask that if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Miss. Amy

2018 POLICIES

CODE OF CONDUCT

- No smoking on any premises, including the car park
- Students should not enter the hall without the teacher, if you arrive early please do not enter the hall
- Students should arrive 5-10 minutes before the start of class and should have their shoes on ready to start on time
- Children should be supervised at all times by their parent or guardian, whilst not in class
- Students, Parents & Visitors are to remain close to the entry doors at all times. They are not to roam around school grounds
- All students and parents are expected to be kind, friendly and respectful of one another
- Whilst waiting for your class, please keep all noise to a minimum
- No parents should enter the hall unless specifically invited in by the teacher, open days are held through the year where parents are able to watch their child's class
- All students should be in full uniform at all times, unless granted permission by their teacher or the Principal. Please see the uniform list for required uniform

UNIFORM LIST

DWPAS stocks all our own uniforms, stockings and dance shoes. Our uniform is navy, hot pink and white and is designed specifically for DWPAS. Students must have their hair pulled back into a pony tail for all classes and for ballet hair must be in a bun. Boys should have their hair neat and tidy. All students must be in DWPAS uniform for all classes. Students may wear any DWPAS uniform items.

No jewellery is to be worn during any class. Jewellery will be asked to be removed and will be the responsibility of the student. Ballet students must be in full ballet uniform – pink / navy leotard, stockings, DWPAS ballet skirt (junior grades only) and hair in a bun.

Students must wear the following shoes:-

- Jazz - Split sole elastic jazz shoes (slip on)
 - Tan - Kindy, Sub Junior, Junior, Sub-Inter
 - Black – Inters, Seniors, Ladies
- Ballet - Pink ballet shoes (with elastic), Sub-Inter & above with ribbons
- Tap - All grades – Flat tan tap shoes (Slick Pros)
- Hip Hop - Any Sneakers (specific shoes will be required for the concert)
- Modern – Half soles

Tiny Dancers

DWPAS Tiny Dancers leo/dress, Ballet stockings & tan stockings, Pink ballet shoes (with elastic) & tan tap shoes

Stockings

All students are required to wear tan convertible stockings for tap, jazz, hip hop, acro & modern. For ballet, students wear pink ballet stockings. All stockings are sold through the studio.

FEES

Dance / Singing / Drama

- 1 class \$10.00 per week / \$50.00 ½ Term (5 weeks)
- 2 classes \$18.00 per week / \$90.00 ½ Term (5 weeks)
- 3 classes \$25.50 per week / \$127.50 ½ Term (5 weeks)
- 4 classes \$32.00 per week / \$160.00 ½ Term (5 weeks)
- 5 classes \$37.50 per week / \$187.50 ½ Term (5 weeks)

Junior Combined Classes

- 1 hour classes \$11 per week / \$55.00 ½ Term (5 weeks)
- 1 ½ hour classes \$18.00 per week / \$90.00 ½ Term (5 weeks)

Acrobatics Classes

- 1 class \$10 per week / \$50.00 ½ Term (5 weeks)

Private Lessons (Dance)

- 1 class (15 mins) \$12.00 per week / \$60.00 ½ Term (5 weeks)

Private Lessons (Singing)

- 1 class (30 mins) \$25.00 per week / \$125.00 ½ Term (5 weeks)

Unlimited Classes (excludes private lessons)

\$50.00 per week

Troupe Fee – additional one off fee per year, payable on acceptance of invitation

\$35.00 per year

Registration Fee

1 student - \$30.00

Family - \$55.00 (must be in the same family)

Invoices are emailed twice each term. They are emailed the first week of the 5 week period (sometimes this period is less or more depending on the number of weeks in the term). Invoices should be paid in full by week 2 of the period. If you cannot pay your invoice in full, you must submit an email to info@dwpas.com.au to make arrangements. Fees can be made in cash or via direct deposit as indicated on your invoice.

A late fee of \$10.00 will be charged if fees are not paid as outlined above. This fee is not negotiable and cannot be removed from the invoice under any circumstances. If payment is more than 5 weeks behind, your child will no longer be able to attend classes until all classes are paid for. Each term must be paid in full to enable enrolment into the next term.

All enrolled classes must be paid for, whether your child attends or is absent.

If you wish to cancel your registration or change your classes, you must give 2 weeks written notice otherwise all classes must be paid for.

REFUNDS

We cannot refund any money, except in the case that a class has been cancelled (which may happen rarely under extreme circumstances, or if the teacher is sick and a suitable substitute teacher cannot be found.) Students on unlimited will not receive refunds as they are already receiving highly discounted classes.

Please note that we do not refund for any cancelled Performance Group classes, as Performance Group students receive many hours of additional staff time at eisteddfods and performances.

In the case of severe injury where a student is unable to dance for 3 weeks or more, we can suspend an enrolment and issue a credit for those weeks' fees in the following invoice. This is only if we are notified in advance and in writing, with details of the number of weeks the child will miss and provided with supporting documentation such as a medical certificate.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Private lessons are for selected students. If you do not attend your scheduled lesson for your own reasons the class fee is forfeited. If the class is cancelled due to DWPAS staff, a make-up lesson or refund will be granted. If attendance at your group lessons is not regular you will forfeit your position in having a private lesson, this is at the discretion of the Principal.

COMMUNICATION

DWPAS communicate through several means. Our main source of communication is through email. We will email and provide as much notice as possible for all events. Some notes will also be handed out in class. If your child is away it is your responsibility to ensure that you have received notes handed out the previous week. Notes are also put on our website, which can be accessed with a log in, username and password.

We also use TEAM APP. This app is a very useful tool for the studio and it would be great if everyone was using it. We use this app regularly to send out updates and reminders to all parents and students. You can download information on how to install this app from our website.

We also recommend joining our facebook group, www.facebook.com/groups/DWPASMembersOnly. Here we have updates, you can ask questions and view photos.

There is also a facebook group for our Performance Group www.facebook.com/groups/DWPASPerfGroup. Seniors have a group on facebook where they can communicate and upload videos. No one is to share any of the videos from this group, it is purely for students to be able to practice at home.

CHILD SAFETY

Child safety is very important to us. All teachers and staff at DWPAS have a WWCC (Working with Children Check).

END OF YEAR CONCERT

We have two end of year concerts. This is a chance for the students to put on an exciting show up on the 'big' stage for all their friends and families. It is one of the most memorable experiences of your child's performing arts experience. This is their special moment to shine on stage and show off their skills. Our Recital with All Singing, Drama, Soloists and Performance Groups and our Dance concert, which includes our Acrobatic students.

COSTUMES

Costumes for the concert are organised for each student. You will be required to pay a \$40 deposit for each costume (one for each class) with a balance being given later. Costumes generally range between \$45 & \$65 each. Costume deposits are due by the end of Term 2. If costume deposits are not paid, no costume will be ordered. Costume deposits are non-refundable. Please note that once costumes are ordered there will be no returns available under any circumstances. Costumes will not be handed to students unless full payment has been made and fees are up to date.

CONCERT FEE

A concert fee is charged to all students. This will include the concert DVD with both concerts, a 2018 finale shirt and rehearsal fees. The fee is \$70 for first child and siblings is \$25 for each additional child. This payment needs to be finalised by the end of Term 3. Please pay in an envelope to your teacher. If you wish to pay in instalments, you may do so, final payment is due end of Term 3.

PHOTO DAY

Each year we hold photo day. A professional photographer comes to us and takes photos of each group, plus a photo of each student full shot and close up. This is done for every single costume. Students will have full hair, make up and costumes on for photos. These photos can then be ordered / purchased at the photo sale day.

EXAMS

Students are encouraged to undertake our exams. This is a fantastic way for students to gain confidence and develop their skills in dance. It is also a great way to receive recognition for all their hard work they have put in during class. We take exams in jazz, tap, ballet & hip hop. Students do exams from the age of 5, but will start learning the work well before. At the annual presentation day, students who have done exams will be rewarded with a certificate, report and either medal or trophy. We are registered to take exams with ATOD, ADA & Glenn Wood Tap.

PRINT AND PUT ON YOUR FRIDGE

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Term One

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| Friday 2 February | - | First Day of Term 1 |
| 17 – 18 Feb | - | Dance Blitz Eisteddfod |
| 26 Feb – 3 March | - | Try any class week & Bring a friend week |
| 23-29 March | - | Mufti Week (Easter) |
| 24 March | - | Easter Disco (TBC) |
| Friday 30 March | - | No classes - Good Friday |
| Saturday 31 March | - | No classes – Easter Saturday |
| Monday 2 April | - | No classes – Easter Monday |
| 9 - 14 April | - | Open Week |
| Saturday 14 April | - | Last Day of Term 1 |

Term Two

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| Monday 30 April | - | First Day of Term 2 |
| Monday 11 June | - | No classes – Public Holiday |
| 25 - 30 June | - | Mufti Week |
| TBC | - | Talent Show |
| 2 – 7 July | - | Open Week |
| Saturday 7 July | - | Last Day Term 2 |

Term Three

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| Monday 23 July | - | First Day of Term 3 |
| 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26 August | - | Dance Blitz August |
| 11 – 16 September | - | Mufti Week |
| 24 – 29 September | - | Open Week |
| Saturday 29 September | - | Last Day of Term 3 |

Term Four

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| Monday 15 October | - | First Day of Term 4 |
| Saturday 27 October | - | Halloween Disco |
| 29 Oct – 3 Nov | - | Mufti Week (Halloween) |
| TBA | - | Presentation Day / Christmas Party |
| TBA | - | Photo Day |
| TBA | - | Recital (Singing / Drama / Solo's / Perf Group) |
| Saturday 15 December | - | Concert (Acro & Dance) @ Camden Civic Centre |
| Saturday 15 December | - | Last Day of Term 4 |

Please note: These dates may change