



# Catherine Inger School Of Dance

## Autumn Newsletter 2026

Hi Everyone,

Well I have managed to extract myself from my art and put down my paint brush. It has been a good break for me, definitely rejuvenated and ready for the busy term to come. It is a long one this time... 11 weeks... and it kicks off tomorrow.

Going to start with a few housekeeping things....parents please let the students read this too.

**Be respectful**..... Just a reminder that are students are to be respectful to their teachers and peers. I am very lucky to have Bronya & Mekah as part of our team, so lets work hard and treat them with the respect they deserve. Students are reminded to be nice to each other... I do not want to hear of any snide comments towards other students. I have students of all capabilities and they are all treated the same.... I am a believer of inclusion...everyone should be given a chance.... so play nice please.

**Kitchen, Dishes & Toys**.... So I dug my toes in last term and refused to wash the cups! Students are reminded to bring a drink bottle to class (named).... and if not then parents you may have to wash the cups once in a while. The toys are there for all children to use, as are the colouring books and crayons... so tidy up after your child or even better encourage them to tidy up after them selves.

**Uniform & cooler weather**... Autumn is definitely upon us and with that is the cooler weather. A reminder that a leotard is to be worn to ballet, Jazz, Contemporary, tap & Acro classes. A tight fitted tee shirt, thermal or crossover top is fine to wear over the top. Hoodies and jackets can be worn to and from class and maybe the first 10 mins of class..... after that they must be removed... NO LOOSE TEES OR TOPS TO BE WORN.

**Parents watching**.... As always I do love having the parents in to watch the classes... so do watch them. It makes the kids feel valued that they can show what they are learning. I have no issues with videoing of things they need to remember, just video your own child only and remember to not chatter during class.

**Collection and drop off**.... with nights getting darker quite early now, I ask that you collect your child from inside the studio please. They are not to wait outside. Power Street is a fairly busy road and some cars go quite fast. Please think of their safety.

Right boring stuff over.... new page!





**Competition roundup.....** Some of our students have been working very hard with their competition dances and have been competing in various comps during term 1 and the recent holidays. We have had some excellent results which is fantastic. It has been so good for their confidence. Well done Mums and Dads for the costumes and props...top effort! There is a montage of pics at the end of this email

**Private lessons.....** those wanting private lessons please contact me so I can arrange the timetable for Saturday afternoons. I am trying to limit these to Saturday only this term.

**Exams....** we will be having a small exam session at the end of this term. A list of who is doing what will be available as soon as I have discussed this with teachers. I do realise that this is an extra cost, so they are not compulsory, but again great for confidence. Our main exam session will be in December, where we will be getting an examiner from England which is fabulous.

**Show 2026..... Alice in wonderland.....** So adding this incase you missed it in the last newsletter. Yes we are doing Alice, its going to be great! The name will change because of copyright etc, but the story will largely be the same. It would be a good idea for the students to watch the Disney cartoon version of this to familiarise themselves with the story, as that will be my guide.



**Show week..... 24<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August..... Rehearsals and Shows.**

The show has be booked in for the last week in August, so a little bit earlier this year, which should hopefully mean I don't clash with school exams etc. Roles have been chosen and some dances already started. It is going to take quite a lot of work to put this together as we will need specific costumes and props in order to tell a cohesive story. As always, any help and support would be greatly appreciated, doesn't have to be loads, but every bit helps.

**Final Bits.....**

**Term 2 dates... Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April–Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July....**

**Public Holidays Observed.... No classes.**

**Anzac Day – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April**

**Kings Birthday Weekend – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May–Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June (whole weekend)**

**Last note.....** Invoices have been sent out, but I would just like to add that in these stressful times of high prices, I do understand. Accounts can be paid off bit by bit, no pressure. As always email me if you have any questions etc.

See you all next week

Cathy



