

CWDA News January-February 2013

Welcome back to another year of dancing. I hope everyone had a lovely Christmas and restful break. I would also like to wish a warm welcome to all new students and their families.

Congratulations to all students and teachers on a fantastic concert last December. It's always lovely to watch our talented students shine onstage. Thank you to all our wonderful helpers and to everyone for the lovely compliments and positive feedback.

I'd also like to offer a warm welcome to Felicity Calwell who takes over the tuition of our tap students this year, with the assistance of our lovely Cassie Fuller.

Late last year Felicity was offered a recording contract with Hit Music Producers Inc. She is currently working on producing her debut single, and more details will be released very soon. Congratulations and best wishes to Felicity.

Please remember to check our website regularly throughout the year. All newsletters are available by logging on at: -

www.cherylwarwickdanceacademy.com.au

Please check in regularly for new updates and newsletters.

Please check our new multiple class fee packages, and new fee schedule for 2013.

Casual class prices

30 minute class \$9.00

45 minute class \$10.00

1 hour class \$11.00

30 minute private lesson \$26.00

We are now offering discount class packages for 4 or more classes to help individual students and siblings who take multiple classes each week. These will replace all previous discounts such as 5% discount for advance payment and previous sibling discount. Multiple class packages don't include private lessons. Private lessons are an added extra.

Multiple Class Discount Packages

4 x classes per week (½ or ¾ hour classes only) each student - \$35 per week

6 x classes per week (includes siblings or individual student) - \$50 per week

8 x classes per week (includes siblings or individual student) - \$65 per week

10 x classes per week (includes siblings or individual student) - \$75 per week

15 x classes per week (includes siblings or individual student) - \$90 per week

Students will again compete in The Gosford City Performing Arts Challenge which will run over the weekend of May 3rd, 4th, & 5th. Please keep this weekend free.

All pre-ordered DVDs of last years' concert will be available for collection at the main studio when classes resume. The samples I've seen so far are fantastic; I can't wait to see the finished product. For a sneak peek check the link on our gallery page.

New students wanting to purchase our uniform can do so at Duckies Dancewear - Arizona Rd, Charmhaven. Duckies are the sole supplier of singlets, t-shirts, shorts, ¾ pants, jazz pants and jackets.

Anyone wanting to order our new design hoodie jacket can also order this from Duckies. These are a warmer jacket than the previous design. If wanting one for winter or for this year's eisteddfod in May I'd suggest ordering it now.

Students purchasing shoes and our leotards can do so from either Duckies; Erina Dancewear; or Dance Stuff (East Gosford).

Please note that pink leather ballet shoes must be the Bloch brand and can be either a full sole or split sole. These are available at Erina Dancewear - Karalta Lane, Erina. Please do not purchase other brands as they are not an accepted part of our uniform.

The following are a few points to remember for those new to the school:-

1. Please park at rear of the studio at all times (main studio).
2. Parents are asked not to wait upstairs while lessons are in progress. We need to keep noise to a minimum, so as not to disrupt lessons (main studio).
3. Watching days for parents are at the end of term one and two. Please watch the notice board and newsletters for these dates. There are no watching days in terms 3 or 4, as we prepare for the exams and concert.
4. All fees must be paid up to date at all times. If paying weekly, monthly or by term please pay on the first lesson of that period. Please put all fees in an envelope with name and date.
5. Fees are payable even if your child is absent.
6. We love to discuss your child's progress. But please realise we have the next class to begin and need to keep these discussions brief.
7. To contact me please email by using the email address on the website. If an emergency you can call me at home on 43 561999. I don't have any mobile coverage at all when I'm at home. I will only receive text messages when I drive in towards Tuggerah (sometimes a day or two later). I will respond as soon as possible.
8. All new students please print off a copy of the registration form and hand the completed form to your child's teacher at their first lesson. The form can be found on our 'contact us' page by clicking the enrolment form link (just above the map).

I'd like to encourage our jazz and tap students to consider taking ballet classes. To be a serious dancer, ballet is an essential tool in gaining the necessary technique for all other dance styles. It also teaches poise, good posture and self-discipline, all valuable assets to have in life.

For those serious about their jazz and contemporary you might like to consider our ADTS Exam syllabus. This exam syllabus is based on jazz and contemporary. It is taught by Chris Duncan on Saturday afternoons. These classes work on flexibility, strength, off-centre balance (used in contemporary), plus much more. It also teaches the essentials tricks of jazz

and contemporary such as barrel jumps, pirouettes, and basic tumbling, to name a few. The Titanium group from last year's concert showcased work learnt by students from this class.

We are also considering offering a 9 - 10 years Hip Hop class this year. If your child is interested in taking this class please let me know.

Please remember to purchase new shoes and uniform if students have outgrown their existing ones, so they are ready to resume classes. See the uniform link for retail outlets.

I'm currently looking for a new website administrator to upload our newsletters etc. Anyone with the technical ability and willing to take over the administration of our website please contact me.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank David Duncan, husband to Miss Chris, for all the hours he has put into designing and administering our fantastic website over the last few years. All your hard work and talents are very much appreciated.

I'm looking forward to another happy and productive year of dancing with our talented students.

Cheryl