

TERM 3 NEWSLETTER 2025



We take our responsibilities to your children very seriously, so it has been disappointing to still see children being dropped at the studio more than 10 minutes before their class is due to start. If there is a need to drop your child to class early, please just let us know so that the teachers are aware. We completely understand that parents cannot be in two places at once. We just ask that you communicate with us to keep your child safe.

Current important dates for 2025 are listed further on in the newsletter, so please make any relevant notes in your dairies. All dates are subject to confirmation and can always be checked on the website.

SDA CHOREOGRAPHY COMPETITION

The SDA Choreography Competition will be held on Saturday 30th August (pending sufficient entrants). All students can showcase dances that they have choreographed themselves. These can be done as solos, duos, trios or small groups. It is heaps of fun and there are great prizes to be won (including the opportunity to perform your routine at the annual concert).

The competition will be held at the York Street (Upstairs) Hall. Our Performance Groups will perform some of their routines from this year. Competitors pay a \$5 entry fee per group, and it will cost \$2 to come and watch the show. There will also be some wonderful raffle prizes to be won so please come along & support our wonderful students. See page 4 for your entry form!

Term 2 finishes end of next week, which means dance exams are upon us. Congratulations to our Performance Troupes for their wonderful performances at the Wynnum and Evolution Eisteddfods in May. You all worked so hard, and we could not be prouder of your efforts.

Term 2 will finish on Saturday 28th June, and classes will resume on Monday 14th July. Term 3 sees concert preparation take center stage, however there are no changes to the timetable at this stage. There is also the EKKA public holiday on the 13th August, and your Term 3 invoices have been credited for the classes not being held on that day.

At the end of week 1 in Term 3, all students participating in the concert are required to come to the studio to be fitted for all their costumes. The timetable for costume measuring can be found on page 5 of this newsletter.

Parent Watching Week is also at the end of Term 3 from the 8th to 13th of September. We would love to see our parents come along if they wish, and you'll get a sneak peak of our concert dances.



At the end of this term, we say a temporary goodbye to our beautiful Miss Eden as she begins maternity leave. We wish her nothing but the best as she embarks on this new journey (and can't wait to see pics of the little acrobatic superstar in the making). We welcome Miss Asha to the studio teaching Levels 1 & 2 Acro and Miss Paige will be teaching Level 3 Acro and Tuesday's performance classes.



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PERFORMANCE NEWS

Congratulations to our incredible performance troupes who competed at this year's Wynnum Eisteddfod and Evolution Dance Competition in May.

Wynnum saw our Senior Performance troupe received HC for "Oblivion" and our Sub-Senior/Senior troupe receive 1st for "Money". At Evolution, those two dances were awarded third place, and our Intermediate Troupe received third place for "Hot" and a Special Mention for "Le Jazz Hot".

Our dancers are now preparing for the Beenleigh Eisteddfod and Brisbane's first-ever SFD Groups Eisteddfod in August.

Our dancers have been showcasing their skills at recent solo/duo competitions, and we are incredibly proud of their achievements. Caitlin P and Kairi S received second place for their lyrical duo and Olive C (Highly Commended) and Frankie D were competitive in their tap and jazz sections respectively at the Wynnum Eisteddfod. Congratulations also to Aubrey B who placed third with her contemporary solo at Evolution Dance Competition.

2025 CONCERT "ICONIC"

It is time to get excited about our end of year concert - **ICONIC**.

Costumes have been chosen and samples ordered for students to try on during Costume Measuring Weekend 19th/20th of July. We cannot stress enough how important it is that all students participating in the concert attend their fittings. If you are unavailable, please contact Miss Shilleena to arrange an alternative time **PRIOR TO THE 19th OF JULY**. Costumes need to be ordered asap to receive them in time for rehearsals and photos. A detailed timetable for costume fittings follows on page 5 of this newsletter.

The concert will be held on Saturday 8th November. **Don't forget EVERY STUDENT performs in TWO SHOWS ... an 11:00am matinee and an evening show at 5:00pm.**

Each year, we pick a theme for the finale, and this year we are asking students to wear **PINK**. It can be a costume from this year's show, or any other dancewear/clothing you can move freely in. You do not need to purchase any additional items for finale. The Concert Newsletter will be available in Term 3 listing all the information you need in preparation for concert day.

Studio photographs will be taken by JVE Productions on the 18th and 19th of October. The timetable for this will be available in Term 3. All photos will be available to purchase online after the shoot as digital downloads.

DANCE DATES 2025

TERM 2 2025 **22/04/25-28/06/25**

19-23 June SFD Ballet, Tap & Jazz Exams

TERM 3 2025 **14/07/25-20/09/25**

19-20 July Costume Measuring Weekend
2 August Beenleigh Eisteddfod (Opens)
3 August Beenleigh Eisteddfod (15U)
10 August Beenleigh Eisteddfod (12U)
13 August EKKA Public Holiday no classes
17 August SFD Eisteddfod
30 August SDA Choreography Competition
8-13 September Parent Watching Week #2

TERM 4 2025 **06/10/25-06/12/25**

6 October King's Birthday ALL CLASSES STILL ON
6 October Combined Concert Timetable commences
18-19 October Professional SDA Photos
26 October Theatre/Dress Rehearsal at LEC
8 November ICONIC Concert 11am & 5pm
10 November Term 4 Timetable Commences
17-22 November Dress Like Your Teacher week
24-25 November Performance Troupe Auditions
24-29 November Bring A Friend week
1-6 December Crazy Costume Week
6 December SDA Break Up Party
December PT Break Up Party

Limelight Multimedia will film our annual concert and will provide a download link in late November/early December of the performance. Every family participating in the show will receive a download link. The cost for this download will be added to your costume invoices in Term 3.

Live action photos of the performance will also be available to download for an additional fee. Our Concert Newsletter will have more information next term.



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Secondhand shoes and clothing are available at the studio. There are ballet, tap, jazz, cabaret and character shoes, as well as some leotards, shorts and skirts. If you would like to look at any of the items, please ask your teacher before or after class. The secondhand items are in the middle of the new sliding cupboards in the kitchen of the upstairs hall.

If you have items to sell, please place them in a ziplock bag with your name, the size of the item, and your asking price clearly marked on the front and give them to your teacher (please note we don't accept tights). Items are left at your own risk and we take no responsibility for items placed for secondhand sale.

Lost Property is placed in the right-hand side of the sliding cupboard in the kitchen in the upstairs hall. We endeavor to return named items to their owners. At the end of each term, all unclaimed items are donated to charity.

Fees for lessons are charged per term. Fees are calculated by dividing the annual fee into 4 equal-term payments, therefore there will be no adjustments for shorter- or longer-term periods. There will be classes held on all pupils' free days and on some, but not all, public holidays. If your class falls on a day when we are not holding classes, you will receive credit off your invoice.

Payment by cash or direct deposit is required by week two of each term. Please email your remittance advice as soon as possible and use your invoice number and surname as reference. If you have queries about your account, please direct them to Shilleena via email or phone.

Withdrawing your enrolment must be made in **writing to Miss Shilleena** otherwise fees will continue to accrue as the student's place is held in the class. If a student withdraws their enrolment before the end of a term, the full term's fees will remain payable.

Classes Missed due to Illness or Holidays will not be refunded or credited. Students may take a 'make-up' lesson instead with a comparable class. Make-up lessons are valid until the end of term 4 then they expire at the end of every year. After the concert is the perfect time to use any make-up lessons you may have, try out a new class or add a second ballet class – there are heaps of options! Please contact Shilleena if you would like to arrange a make-up lesson at any time.

Unpaid fees attract an administration fee of 20% to all outstanding balances. Prompt settlement of any overdue accounts will prevent the school from spending unnecessary administration time chasing overdue accounts.

Casual classes for adult or advanced classes are \$25 per class. Please give the correct money to your teacher at the start of each lesson.



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2025 CHOREOGRAPHY COMPETITION

In August we are holding a Choreography Competition within Shilleena's Dance Academy. It is for all ages and is a great opportunity for students to showcase their choreographic skills! We will have guest judges to make the final decision on the prize winners and give short comments on each routine.

The winner of the choreography competition will be given the opportunity to perform their routine at the end of year concert! All who enter will have a fantastic experience, gain a greater sense of confidence and show everyone your choreographic and dancing talent!!

There is a \$5 entry fee for competitors (one flat fee for solos, duos, trios or small groups) and it will cost \$2 per person (or a donation of your choice) to watch the show. The competition will be held at the York Street Hall on **Saturday 30th August** from 5pm. Doors will open at 4:45pm and payment to watch the show will be taken at the door in cash. As seating is limited, please bring a chair or cushion to sit on. All students, family and friends are welcome!!! Don't forget to bring a few extra dollars to enter our raffle and possibly win some fantastic prizes!

And as an added treat, the Performance Groups will showcase some of their Eisteddfod routines from this year.

Conditions of Entering the Competition:

- The Dance Routine can be any style (jazz, tap, ballet, contemporary, musical theatre, singing, hip hop, acrobatics, novelty, cabaret or mixed genres)
- Each routine must not exceed 4 minutes, 2 minutes is a good guide for younger dancers
- All music must be provided on iPod, phone or can be emailed directly to Miss Shilleena
- Costumes & originality are encouraged
- All props, costumes, music & choreography must be arranged by the dancer(s)
- Smiles are recommended and fun is compulsory!!

Why not get a few friends together and make up a dance to your favourite song?

If you would like to enter, please fill out the below entry form and give to your teacher with your entry fee in an envelope by **Saturday 2nd August 2025**.

SDA Choreography Competition 2025

Name/s of Dancer/s: _____ Age/s: _____

Dance Style: _____ Routine Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Sign: _____ Phone: _____

Please return this form with payment in an envelope to your teacher by Saturday 2nd August 2025.



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2025 COSTUME MEASURING WEEKEND

Each year we hold a measuring weekend where all students participating in the end of year concerts must attend to be fitted for their costumes. For most costumes there will be a sizing set that students can try on, however some costumes will require exact measurements. **Please wear a leotard OR crop top/hot pants** so that you can try on any costume easily and also allow us to get accurate measurements. Costume measuring will be held on **Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th July.**

Students are asked to come to the studio in your allocated time slot. You will be fitted for all of your costumes at the one time. Please allow 45 minutes from the start of your timeslot to be fitted as some students have multiple costumes to try on and you may need to wait – however once your costumes have all been fitted you will be free to go.

It is **really important** that you attend measuring weekend as we must finalise the orders on the 20th to ensure costumes arrive in time for photos and dress rehearsals. If you are unable to attend your allocated session, or need to arrange to come at a different time, please contact Miss Shilleena **PRIOR TO THE 19th JULY.**

All costume deposits which were charged on your Term 2 Invoice (\$70 for one dance, \$140 for two dances, \$210 for three to five dances and \$420 for six or more dances & all performance troupe dancers) should now have been finalised. We cannot order your costume until this deposit is paid. Additional charges for express shipping will apply if a separate order must be made.

Students in Open Adult Beginner and Intermediate Tap will be sourcing their own costume and will therefore not be fitted this weekend. A look-book will be provided by Miss Alanah, and a photo of your costume needs to be sent to Miss Alanah & Miss Shilleena for approval.

Students in Grades 9 and 10 jazz will be reusing the black long pants from previous years (comm jazz 2023 and jazz tech 2024). Please check if you still have them. If you do not, you will be fitted for a new pair at costume measuring week.

Pre-Elementary (Thursday) and Elementary (Monday) ballet students will be reusing their tutus from last year in this year's concerts. Please remove all decoration from your costume so that we can add new embellishments. New students in these classes will be fitted at costume measuring, and some second-hand white tutus may be available for pre-elementary dancers.

If your only class is Street Jazz, Grade 8 Tap, Grade 9 Tap or Open Tap Technique, you have already been fitted for your costume and do not need to attend fitting weekend.

The times for costume measuring are detailed in alphabetical order on the following pages:



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SATURDAY 19th JULY IN THE THIRD LOWER ROOM YORK STREET:

Isabella	Allen	9:00am
Odette	Allen-Venables	9:00am
Violet	Armijo	2:00pm
Samantha	Aurisch	11:00am
Thora	Bagheri	10:00am
Nina	Berry	9:00am
Ava	Boater	3:00pm
Hazel	Booth	3:00pm
Lenny	Borg	10:00am
Poppy	Borg	10:00am
Olivia	Bourke	12:15pm
Susannah	Brown	11:00am
Amanda	Buxton	11:00am
Beatrix	Buxton	2:00pm
Harrison	Buxton	2:00pm
Erin	Carmock	10:00am
Soleil	Chicoteau	9:00am
Jacqui	Clow	9:30am
Olive	Collins	2:00pm
Sarah	Cooper	11:00am
Aoife	Crawford	10:00am
Sophia	Crook	2:00pm
Beatrice	De Domeneghi	1:00pm
Eleanor	Dijkxhoorn	2:00pm
Frankie	Drake	2:00pm
Natalie	Drake	2:00pm
Anne	Dunn	3:00pm
Lina	Dunn	3:00pm
Carys	Dunlop	9:30am
Rebecca	Easterman	11:00am
Sarisa	Edgar	9:30am
Eva	Efstathis	2:30pm
Aimee	Elliott	9:30am
Abby	Evans	9:30am

Kelsie	Fogarty	11:00am
Gabby	Franz	3:00pm
Harper	Glass	1:00pm
Hazel	Glass	12:00pm
Lily	Gould	1:45pm
Paisley	Hinds	9:30am
Taryn	Hirst	11:00am
Georgia	Horsburgh	9:30am
Felisiety	Hoyland-Gray	2:30pm
Zara	Jackman	3:00pm
Anika	Karfa	1:00pm
Rose	Katavic	1:45pm
Amelia	King	10:00am
April	King	11:00am
Elsie	Lange-Gillett	9:00am
Indigo	Lewis	10:00am
Sara	Leyre Appellaniz	9:00am
Sophia	Llewelyn	3:00pm
Adelaide	Longworth	2:00pm
Estelle	Mackintosh	12:15pm
Juliet	Mackintosh	12:15pm
Willow	Martin	2:00pm
Madeleine	Masterman	2:00pm
Aurelia	McGregor	10:00am
Charlotte	McIlwain	2:30pm
Anita	McMillan	11:00am
Ally	McNamara	2:00pm
Alison	McTaggart	11:00am
Noa	Mitchell	12:00pm
Darcy	Mott	2:30pm
Niamh	Mouncey	10:00am
Annabelle	Munro	9:00am
Poppy	Myerscough	3:00pm
Charlotte	Newman	9:00am

Gabby	O'Loughlin	12:15pm
Jesse	O'Sullivan	9:30am
Kobi	O'Toole	11:00am
Darcie	Pablo	10:00am
Zoe	Pablo	1:45pm
Amy	Parker	10:00am
Lola	Reid	9:00am
Hannah	Rieck	10:00am
Panayota	Riveros	12:00pm
Angela	Small	10:00am
Hannah	Small	10:00am
Charlotte	Smith	11:00am
Danielle	Smith	11:00am
Poppy	Smith	11:00am
Koa	Spillane	3:00pm
Isla	Surawski	9:30am
Poppy	Thompson	2:30pm
Claire-Mary	Thomsett	11:00am
Eamon	Thomsett	11:00am
Isabelle	Thomsett	11:00am
Eliza	Towndrow	11:00am
Devika	Vaidyanathan	2:00pm
Charlotte	Vale	2:00pm
Meera	Walczak	1:00pm
Alby	Wall	1:00pm
Matilda	Wall	2:00pm
Caitlyn	Waller	9:30am
Zahlia	Warren	9:00am
Pollyanna	Woodham	1:00pm
Jacinta	Wynne	2:30pm
Damyn	Young	1:00pm
Izabella	Zahner	12:00pm
Mila	Zahner	12:00pm

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SUNDAY 20th JULY IN THE UPSTAIRS HALL YORK STREET:

Angelica	Alen	10:00am
Isabella	Allis	2:00pm
Georgia	Andronicos	11:00am
Emily	Bak	12:30pm
Ellen	Barnaby	10:30am
Olive	Barrett	12:00pm
Aubrey	Beck	10:30am
Lily	Beckwith	12:00pm
Grace	Bell	11:00am
Edie	Biasibetti	3:00pm
Lilias	Biasibetti	3:00pm
Brenda	Bihari	11:00am
Lucinda	Box	3:00pm
Greta	Brown	10:00am
Melody	Brown	10:30am
Milla	Burgess	10:30am
Lucy	Buttini	2:00pm
Mali	Carr	2:30pm
Isabelle	De Souza	12:30pm
Monica	Dimmock	1:00pm
Eli	Dorney	12:30pm
Elea	Durant	2:30pm
Georgina	Edgar	10:30am
Claire	Edwards	3:30pm
Emanuelle	Festa	2:30pm
Emma	Finau	3:00pm
Ivy	Finlayson	11:00am
Naia	Forero	3:00pm
Poppy	Fyfe	10:00am
Vivienne	Gamer	3:00pm
Mila	Garland	12:00pm
Olivia	Gloag	2:30pm
Sarah	Gorton	10:30am
Calla	Gowans	12:00pm
Hannah	Hale	3:30pm

Eva	Hall	11:30am
Olivia	Handley	12:30pm
Emily	Hayler	2:00pm
Sophie	Hellyer	1:30pm
Jessica	Hillberg	11:30am
Cassandra	Hinckley	11:30am
Olivia	Hiratos	10:30am
Eden	Hope	1:30pm
Jacqueline	Ip	1:30pm
Sienna	Jacobsen	11:00am
Lana	Jones	3:30pm
Alexis	Kazonis	3:30pm
Anna	Kirkman	1:30pm
Rosemary	Kirkman	1:30pm
Chloe	Longley	3:30pm
Emma	Loxton	3:00pm
Eve	Macinnis	1:30pm
Emma	Maden	3:00pm
Kate	McKean	12:30pm
Genaya	McKenzie	11:30am
Leilah	McLeod	1:00pm
Kelly	McWilliam	10:00am
Addiena	Moffat	11:00am
Audrey	Mundell	3:30pm
Marianna	Mungarrieta	1:30pm
Claudia	Oliver	11:30am
Florence	Oliver	11:30am
James	Oliver	10:00am
Sam	Oliver	10:00am
Zaylee	O'Sullivan	2:30pm
Casey	Ouston	3:30pm
Ellie	Ouston	3:30pm
Bella	Parbery	1:00pm
Isabella	Pardo	11:00am

Paige	Paremain	3:30pm
Sarah	Peatey	2:30pm
Bella	Pfeffer	3:30pm
Jesinta	Ponomarenko	11:30am
Lorelei	Pope	1:00pm
Caitlin	Power	10:00am
Sophie	Power	10:00am
Felicity	Puc	10:30am
Willow	Ritchie	1:00pm
Evie	Robertson	10:00am
Matilda	Rossi	1:00pm
Zoe	Rowan	12:30pm
Lily	Rowe	2:00pm
Marcy	Sherwin	12:00pm
Benjamin	Smith	12:30pm
Eadie	Sperling-Smith	11:00am
Kairi	Stacombe	12:00pm
Poppy	Stacombe	12:00pm
Annabel	Strong	11:30am
Molly	Thallon	2:00pm
Georgia	Toner	1:30pm
Alessandra	Tran	3:00pm
Freya	Van Der Linden	1:00pm
Olivia	Van Ligten	2:00pm
Nadia	Vanek	2:30pm
Aurora	Vanelli Rees	2:30pm
Bianca	Wakiec	2:00pm
Asha	Wassell	11:30am
Jessica	Wedding	11:00am
Abigail	Westneat	1:30pm
Ella	Wilson	1:00pm
Shayleigh	Windsor	12:30pm
Sophie	Winters	2:00pm
Emily	Yeates	12:00pm

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