

Dance news

WORKING HARD, AIMING HIGH, HAVING FUN!

○ TERM 2 / ○ 2020

From Miss Shilleena

This is without doubt the most challenging time we have faced in generations. Our beautiful dance families are under so much stress and uncertainty at the moment. I send to all of you a virtual hug and only the best wishes that you are all safe and healthy.

A gigantic thank you to our dancers and their families for embracing online classes for the last two weeks. I am so proud of how resilient we all are! With no choice but to close the physical doors of the studio, I am impressed by how hard everyone has been applying themselves in their bedrooms, lounge rooms and garages!

Term 1 will still finish on Saturday 4th April, and we will resume with Term 2 on Monday 20th April.

Given that we do not know when we will be allowed back into the studio in Term 2, the plan is to continue with classes online until we can reopen the doors. The online class links have been extended into Term 2, so there is no need to access changed class details. Our timetable remains exactly the same.

Please see below for updated information on exams, the end of year concert, and important dates for your diary.



It's times like these that I really appreciate our gorgeous SDA family. The love and support you've shown me is humbling and I am so grateful. Have a wonderful Easter break and look after yourselves!

Yours in Dance,

Miss Shilleena

SFD BALLET, TAP & JAZZ EXAMS

The 2020 SFD ballet, jazz and tap exams are going ahead at this stage. They will be held between the 18th and 24th of June. Confirmation of exam times will be provided as soon as possible. All examination packs have been provided to you via a Dropbox link and if there are any problems please contact Miss Shilleena.

There will be extra lessons held prior to each exam and these classes are compulsory for all exam students. We will be going over all examination content as well as rehearsing what will happen on the day so that each student can feel as comfortable and prepared as possible.

If we are able to, these extra lessons will be held over three weekends - on the 29th to 31st May, 6th & 7th of June, and the 13th & 14th of June. Over these three weekends, students will attend two extra exam practices per examination being undertaken. Permission slips for each of these will go out in the first few weeks of Term 2. As mentioned in the exam letters, there will be a small fee to cover the cost of these additional practices.



Performance Group News

Performance classes will resume on Monday 20th April. Miss Eden is working on a detailed timetable for the Monday classes, which will be emailed to you in the next week. Classes will still start at 6:45pm. Tuesday classes with Miss Jenna and Miss Alanah will remain unchanged with the online class links emailed to you this week.

If we are allowed back into the studio for the start of Term 2, the planned ANZAC Day (25th April) dress rehearsals will go ahead. All classes are in the upstairs hall and you will need to bring all costumes and headpieces (clearly named). If we are still all dancing from home, these rehearsals will be postponed.

Times are as follows:

12.30-1.15pm - Radio City - Intermediate Performance (Cabaret)
1.15-2.00pm - Love - Intermediate Performance (Contemporary)
2.00-3.00pm - Survivor - Combined Performance
3.00-3.45pm - Hot - Combined Performance (Jazz)
3.45-4.30pm - Leave a Light On - Senior/Sub-Senior Performance (Lyrical)
4.30-4.45pm - short break - Please have a snack & put on wig
4.45-5.30pm - Blonde - Senior/Sub-Senior Performance (Jazz)
5.30-6.15pm - Ooh La La - Senior/Sub-Senior Performance (Cabaret)

As you know, the Brisbane Eisteddfod has been cancelled. We will still be competing in the Sunshine Coast Eisteddfod which will now be held on the 1st & 2nd Aug for Senior Groups (open sections) and the 8th & 9th Aug for Junior Groups (12 & under sections).

It is looking more likely that this year's EKKA will be cancelled. While we haven't received official word yet, we have been advised that it is a possibility.

Miss Shilleena is looking into additional opportunities for our Eisteddfod teams, including the Noosa and Gold Coast Eisteddfods. We will also be participating in a professional film shoot once we are allowed back into the studios!!

2020 CONCERT NEWS

This week, we have revised every costume for our dancers. Given the financial stress so many of our families are facing, we felt it was necessary to change to a less expensive option where possible.

Most of our suppliers have been on board with our changes, however given that the samples were ordered over a month ago, we could not change everything as we would have liked.

We will have to postpone Costume Fitting Week from the 19th to the 25th of June. Our American and European suppliers are closed and will not ship any items until the end of May at the earliest. Given that we do not know when our samples will arrive, an alternate date will be organized once all samples have arrived.

Please note that the concert permission slip is still due on Friday 24th April. If you are experiencing financial hardship due to COVID-19, please contact Miss Shilleena to organise a payment plan for your costumes.

TERM 2 ACCOUNTS

Term 2 accounts have been issued and are due for payment on Friday 24th April. If you are having financial difficulties due to COVID-19, please contact Miss Shilleena to discuss. All information will, of course, be confidential.



DANCE DATES 2020

TERM 2 2020 20/4/20-27/6/20

- April 25 ANZAC Day & Performance Group Dress Rehearsals TBC
- May 4 Labour Day & Performance Group Rehearsals TBC
- May 29 to 31 SFD Exam Workshops #1
- June 6 to 7 SFD Exam Workshops #2
- June 13 to 14 SFD Exam Workshops #3
- June 18 to 24 SFD Exams
- July 3 - "Tap Pack" Booking 7:30pm

TERM 3 2020 13/7/20-19/9/20

- July Costume Measuring Week TBC
- July Blue Care Performances TBC
- Aug 1 to 2 Sunshine Coast Eisteddfod
- Aug 8 to 9 Sunshine Coast Eisteddfod
- August 12 EKKA Public Holiday
- August 15 SDA Choreography Comp
- August EKKA Performances TBC
- Sep 7 to 12 Parent Watching Week #2
- Sep 25-28 ADF Sydney

TERM 4 2020 3/10/20-5/12/20

- October 5 Queen's Birthday - all classes on as per regular timetable
- October 10 Combined Concert Timetable
- October Stage Makeup Lesson
- October 17 to 18 Professional Photos
- October 25 Theatre Rehearsal at the LEC
- October 26 to 31 Dress Rehearsals
- November 7 SDA Annual Concert
- November 9 New Timetable Commences
- November 16 to 21 Bring a Friend Week
- November Performance Group Auditions
- Nov 30 to Dec 5 Crazy Costume Week
- November/December Blue Care and Multicap Performances
- December PT Christmas Show
- December 5 SDA Breakup Party
- December PT Breakup Party