

Burwood Girls High School

Centre of Excellence



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Dear Parent/Carers,

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2024 BGHS Extra Curricular Dance Program Information Letter

As you may be aware, your child has shown an interest and/or auditioned in the Dance Ensemble Program here at Burwood Girls HS. We are extremely fortunate to offer a wide variety of dance styles (as listed below) and each ensemble will run an audition or trial class throughout weeks 2 - 4.

Please Note - This is an information note only, your child will be made aware if they are successful in the audition process via a list that will be put up outside the Movement Studio in weeks 4 or 5. If they are successful, you will be invoiced accordingly (details below) and a contract will be given to the student and needs to be returned by week 7.

It is important that you and your child are aware of the expectations that are required to be involved with our Dance Ensemble program. Please read the information carefully on this note with your child.

Rehearsals

This is a **whole-year commitment** and attendance is compulsory each week. Advance notice of absence in writing, signed by a parent, must be given where possible. This also can be provided by emailing Ms Lee kristen.lee6@det.nsw.edu.au and/or Mrs Jamieson (caitlin.lee32@det.nsw.edu.au). If your child is sick or injured but at school, we ask when possible that they please come and watch the rehearsal with a note from home. Students who miss rehearsals without reasonable explanation will be given two warnings before being removed from performance opportunities.

Cost

\$300 per year, **per ensemble** except for Inclusive Dance (\$150) and Strength and Conditioning (\$225) payable to the front office in full by the end of Week 7, Term 1, 2023. Your child will be invoiced according to the ensembles they are accepted in to. Please let us know if payment in full is a problem so that we can make alternative arrangements for you.

Attire

Students are expected to wear the school dance uniform (with the exception of the K-Pop, Strength/Conditioning, Hip-hop, and Inclusive Dance Ensemble who may wear their sports uniform and Ballet Ensemble who have a different uniform). The uniforms can be purchased by paying for the **dance uniform (\$80)** and/or the **Ballet uniform (\$60)** to the front office or online. Uniform receipts must be brought to Miss Lee, where I will provide the uniform. If your child already owns the required uniform, they do not need to purchase a new one.

Tap: Students are expected to provide and wear their own Tap shoes to rehearsals.

Jazz/Musical Theatre: Jazz shoes (Black)- Preferable for performance opportunities.

Ballet: Ballet shoes required, pointe shoes optional.

All other ensembles: No footwear required- Bare feet.

Transport

Please note that transport to and from rehearsals/performance is not the school's responsibility. All students must make their own arrangements.

Behaviour

Students are expected to be respectful to their teachers and peers, participate in all aspects of the class to the best of their ability and practice safe dance practices (by wearing correct uniform/footwear and listening to teacher's instructions).

Anticipated Performances

Your child has the opportunity to participate in a range of performances and concerts. Whilst not all ensembles will perform at every performance, it is expected that your child will be available for the **compulsory dates** as outlined below.

COMPULSORY DATES THAT INCLUDE ALL ENSEMBLES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- **Monday 27 May**- Term 2, Week 5- Dance Photos (School hours)
- **Wednesday 4 September**, Week 7, Term 3 - Showcase Technical/Dress rehearsals (school hours).
- **Thursday 5 September**, Week 7, Term 3 - Matinee and Evening performances (11:00am and 6:30pm).
- **Thursday 12 December**, Week 9, Term 4- Christmas Concert

ADDITIONAL DATES THAT INCLUDE SELECT ENSEMBLES (YET TO BE DETERMINED) ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- **Tuesday 18 June to Wednesday 26 June 2024** (Term 2 Week 8 and 9) EXACT dates TBC- In the Spotlight Dance Festival
- **6 August**- St George Eisteddfod (TBC)
- **Week 8/9, Term 4**- Infant's Home Christmas Event (TBC)
- **Week 9/10, Term 4** - Presentation Day (TBC)

Please note that additional performance opportunities may arise throughout the year. If you can foresee any issues with any of the dates listed above, for example a family holiday that is already booked, please advise Miss Lee via email, phone or written note ASAP.

Note- Performances and rehearsals will be filmed and photographed for archival and promotional purposes. If your child's image cannot be shared, please discuss this with us.

PLEASE:

1. **RETAIN THESE PAGES SO THAT YOU HAVE A COPY OF THE DATES AND INFORMATION.**
2. **IF YOUR CHILD IS SUCCESSFUL IN THEIR AUDITION, THEY WILL BE PUT ON A LIST OUTSIDE THE MOVEMENT STUDIO AND GIVEN A CONTRACT THAT THEY MUST RETURN BY WEEK 7.**
3. **IF YOUR CHILD IS ACCEPTED INTO AN ENSEMBLE THAT THEY ARE NOT ABLE TO BE A PART OF, PLEASE EMAIL- kristen.lee6@det.nsw.edu.au**
3. **IF YOUR CHILD IS UNSUCCESSFUL- PLEASE CONSIDER AN ENSEMBLE THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE AN AUDITION OR TRY AGAIN NEXT YEAR.**

Yours sincerely,

Kristen Lee & Caitlin Jamieson
Dance Coordinators

Janelle Gianotti
Head Teacher PDHPE/Dance (Rel)

Mia Kumar
Principal