

NEWSLETTER

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Diary 2009

Term 3
27th July – 3rd October

17 – 20 September
SODA

27th September
Presentation
& Trophy Day 11-2pm

Term 4
19th October – 11th
December

27th October
Parent Teacher
Meeting 7pm

Sunday 6th December
Full Dress Rehearsal &
Photos

11th December
Dress Rehearsal
Civic Theatre

12th December
End of Year concert
Civic Theatre

13th December
NCD Graduation

14th & 15th December
RAD Bursary

18th – 22 January 2010
Summer School

All information is correct,
to the best of our
knowledge, at time of
printing. Please check the
studio timetable &
noticeboards regularly

BLOCH DISCOUNT VOUCHER

Valid this
weekend

19 – 20 September

Available from
the office.

★Dear Parents and Students

It's lovely to be back and I'm looking forward to seeing the progress in all concert work. We have just received the **Graded exam results** at the studio. Those who have already handed in their stamped, self addressed envelopes will receive their results in the mail this week. If you haven't handed in your envelope yet please do so ASAP. Examination results will not be handed out in the studio. **Vocational** results should arrive early next week; are your envelopes in?

★ Genee Congratulations

Congratulations to Daniel Roberge who received the Silver at the finals of the Genee in Singapore last Saturday, to Danielle Muir and Henrietta Ellice-Flint who made the final and to Clare Weymer, Tahlia Shaw, Olivia Heyworth, Melanie Smith and Alannah Keating who all performed so beautifully in the semi-finals. The students all commented on the advantage of going to the Genee and working with international choreographers, friendships made, a wonderful experience all round. Out of the 12 finalists 10 were from Australia and 3 were NCD students! What fantastic results!



★Alice in Wonderland

Miss Jarmaine thanks all students for their hard work and effort on 'Alice in Wonderland' over the past few weeks. Particular congratulations go to all the 'Flowers' for their concentration and commitment. Miss Jarmaine and I will work together this Saturday 19th September, so be ready to show me the wonderful progress you have made whilst I have been away examining.

★Presentation Day – Sunday 27th September 11am – 2pm

Remember to place this date on your calendar! As well as trophies for the Graded students, there will be awards given to selected Middle School and Senior School students in classical, jazz and contemporary. There will also be performances by NCD students and a BBQ. A good chance to see Genee Silver medallist, Daniel Roberge. Performing some of his award winning dancing he will talk about the experience. We look forward to seeing you all there. Don't forget to order your BBQ sausages through the office!

★Private Lessons – Term 4

Please fill in the tear-off below if you wish to cancel your private lessons for Term 4. If the office doesn't receive confirmation of cancellation you will be invoiced as normal.

★Summer School 18th January – 22nd January 2010

Classes are filling quickly! The Summer School is available for all students from Grade 5 – Pre professional, with special guest teacher Lisa Bolte ex Australian Ballet company principal artist, as well as our very own specialist teachers. Registrations are for our studio as well as outside students. Classes will be held in Classical Ballet, Contemporary, Repertoire, Drama and Body conditioning. Registrations will close when class sizes are full.

★Fitness Balls

It has been discussed with various levels to purchase fit balls/resistance bands. We have investigated purchasing these in bulk; at present we have quotes for approximately \$40 for a fit ball and are still waiting on prices for the resistance bands. Please fill in the tear off below if you wish to place an order for a ball or band.

NB: We need a measurement from floor to knee in order to purchase the correct size ball for your child.

★ SODA & Mattara

Best wishes to our students competing in SODA this week and at the Mattara Eisteddfod over the school holidays.

★Li Cunxin

Congratulations to Li Cunxin; Patron of NCD, for receiving '2009 Australian Father of the Year' Award.

★Intermediate and Inter Foundation Students

Intermediate Foundation students will be required to have Pointe shoes and Intermediate students should have Demi Pointe shoes during Term 4. More information to follow next newsletter.



Costume

Payment Deposits

\$50 for all Grades

(except Tiny Tots/ Pre Prim. \$25)

Please. place into Rose Box

★Youth American Grand Prix New York 2010

Interested students should have UTUBEd this year's Grand Prix and picked out a repertoire solo that you think suits you. Filming will take place at the studio soon. Filming for the DVD with Alan Hornby will take place on Friday 2nd October @ 1pm. Cost is \$30 per student to be paid directly to Mr Hornby in an envelope. Please let Christine know if you are attending this filming; you must book in to receive a timeslot.

★ Sophie Lidbury

Former NCD student, Sophie has just started her contract with Tokyo Disney. Here is an extract from a recent email from her: "...I've got my own studio apartment which is quite large for Tokyo. All of the foreign performers from Disneyland live here as well as Cirque de Soleil performers. Its such a great opportunity to socialise and make contacts. I'm currently in the middle of rehearsals for the show which I'll be in. My first performance is on the 1st of October. So I've still got alot more learning and rehearsing to do. The show is really fun and energetic. It runs for 30 minutes 5 times every day. I've been cast as Snow White for one role and an evil Queen for another role. So they're very versatile. My drama skills came in handy for my Queen role, thanks James!! We have been rehearsing till all hours into the morning. The choreographers have a normal day job then come and teach us at night time. Sometimes i might not be home untill 2.30am in the morning. But everyone is in the same boat together which is a good thing...."

★AICD International Competition, Perth 21st/22nd November

As winner of the NSW AICD Competition, Daniel Roberge will now compete in Perth. This competition is still open for any senior students to enter; closing date: 30th October. Please discuss with staff your variations etc. if you are intending to enter the competition. Forms can be collected from Mrs Pickering. We will schedule lessons in Term 4 to accommodate practices.

★ Students & Classes of the Term

Due to the changeover in classes after the exam period, students adjusting to new teachers and the start of concert work, it is a difficult time at present to choose these special awards. Greater consideration will be given and decisions made soon.

★ Solo Seal

Results should be available in the next couple of weeks.

★REMINDER!

As previously mentioned, all students are to **take their bags and other personal belongings into the studio with them.** There have been more reports of money stolen from bags left in the change rooms. We will be carefully viewing our security tapes; cameras are placed strategically around the interior and exterior of the premises.

With Fond Wishes,
Marie Walton-Mahon

CANCELLATION OF PRIVATE LESSONS – Term 4

*Please return this slip to the office **by Monday 29th September** to cancel lessons.

Yes, I am cancelling my private lessons for Term 4.

Name: _____ Teacher: _____

Lesson Day/Time: _____ Signed: _____

SCHOLARSHIP CONCERT '09 DVD – ORDERS

We are able to place more orders of the Scholarship DVD for any families who missed out. Please provide details below.

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Number of Copies @ \$40 each: _____ Total: \$ _____ Ph: _____

FITNESS BALLS / RESISTANCE BANDS

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Would like to order _____ fitness balls @ \$40 each Total: \$ _____ Measurement; floor to knee: _____ cm

Would like to order _____ resistance band/s