

## Diary 2009

**Term 3**  
27<sup>th</sup> July – 3<sup>rd</sup> October

**17 – 20 September**  
SODA

**27<sup>th</sup> September**  
Presentation  
& Trophy Day 11-2pm

**Term 4**  
19<sup>th</sup> October – 11<sup>th</sup>  
December

**27<sup>th</sup> October**  
Parent Teacher  
Meeting 7pm

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December**  
Full Dress Rehearsal &  
Photos

**11<sup>th</sup> December**  
Dress Rehearsal  
Civic Theatre

**12<sup>th</sup> December**  
End of Year concert  
Civic Theatre

**13<sup>th</sup> December**  
NCD Graduation

**14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December**  
RAD Bursary

**18<sup>th</sup> – 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

### ★Dear Parents and Students

It's wonderful to finally see the end of five weeks of exams; now, on with the show! The students were very excited to begin learning concert work last Saturday. Miss Jarmaine will be working with the students today and next Saturday and I look forward to seeing the improvement when I return from examining. Could all students please warm up before rehearsals? All younger students should be taken to the bathroom before coming into the classroom so not to disrupt the rehearsal. Some of the roles are yet to be decided; naturally discipline and hard work will be taken into consideration. Please look carefully at the diary 2009 to the left and put any calendar dates in your diaries so you don't miss anything important as we approach the production.

### ★Good Bye and Congratulations

Thank you to Emma Jones who has kindly given up her holiday to share her love of dance with our students, Emma had planned to stay longer but has been offered a full contract with Magdeburg Theatre in Germany, Emma will be finishing up with us on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September.

### ★Parent Teacher Meeting - Postponed

After the costume meeting this week it was decided to postpone the parent/teacher meeting until **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October @ 7pm (Studio 3)**. Due to the enormity of the work it was too stressful for the allocated dressmakers to have samples of all costumes ready by the end of term. I will also include my discussion with parents on this evening.

### ★Congratulations U12 Groups!

What wonderful performances from our young students who received 3<sup>rd</sup> place for Contemporary and H.C. for Classical. Bravo!  
This was the final eisteddfod performances for the MWM & NCD students for the Sydney Eisteddfod. Here's a quick tally of our groups achievements for 2009:

- U12yrs: Classical – HC, Contemporary – 3<sup>rd</sup>
- U14yrs: Classical - 3<sup>rd</sup>, Contemporary – 2<sup>nd</sup>
- U17yrs: Modern – 1<sup>st</sup>
- Open Age: Classical – 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and H.C; Modern – 1<sup>st</sup>, Jazz – 2<sup>nd</sup>, Contemporary – H.C

What fantastic results! Congratulations to all of our groups.

### ★End of Year Concert – Costumes

To assist with the purchase of materials for the concert all students please pay a deposit for their costume. This way we can bulk order fabric to keep costs down.

Costume Deposits = \$25 Tiny Tots & Pre Primary  
= \$50 all other grades (incl. Small rabbits, NCD)

Place your deposit in a clearly marked envelope (name, grade, phone number) into the rose box. The sooner the Rose Fund receives payments, the sooner the dress makers can make their bulk orders and begin their creations. Thank you all for your cooperation in this regard.

**Alice in Wonderland** students have started to be measured in classes from last Saturday.

7 Deadly sins students will be measured during the next few weeks.

*Elite Syncopations* students are to check the noticeboard for times to visit Mrs Alley for costume fitting. One class at a time will be sent to her. NB: Elite Syncopations designs and colour coordination have already been completed and details given to Mrs Alley for each girl and boy. I will discuss accessories at the parent/teacher meeting. Under no circumstances are sequins to be added to your costumes.

### ★Concert Rehearsal Attendance

Students who do not attend the Concert Rehearsal classes on Saturdays cannot take part in the concert. If your child only attends classes during the week but would like to be involved in the concert, please let the office know that they will be joining Saturday classes. These rehearsals have already started so you must act now. No parents are to enter classrooms at any time.

### ★Lead Roles

All students who have speaking roles in the 'Alice in Wonderland' are to pick up a CD from the office.

### ★Kitchen Use

The Kitchen is for all students to use, however, there must be respect for other people's property. We have had reports from some students that they have had food taken from their lunch boxes in the refrigerator. As some students stay away from home for part of the week they need to leave extra food at the studio for the following day, if this is stolen they are without food for the whole

### ★Healthy Eating

Here's a thought! Fruit and vegetables are almost always cheaper per kilogram than highly processed snack foods. If fresh varieties seem expensive, see if the frozen or canned varieties are available. Check the price per kilo of different products and compare which is really better value for money.

Eg:



Less healthy choice	\$/kg*	Healthier Choice	\$/kg*
Muesli Bars 6X20g	\$23.25	Bananas	\$3.99
Rolled-up fruit bar 8X15g	\$40.00	Dried Apricots 200g	\$10.30
Savoury biscuit shapes 200g	\$15.45	Watermelon	\$1.95
Crisps 50g	\$28.80	Pears	\$3.99

\*Prices as at March 2008

### ★MWM/NCD Summer School

What a great way to prepare your body for the new year after the holiday period, Our Exciting Summer School 2010 brochures are now being handed out!!!! The workshop will run from 18<sup>th</sup> January – 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2010. Inviting all students from Grade 5 – Pre professional, this exciting intensive workshop includes 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; a great opportunity to make some new friends and enjoy some unique classes in Classical Ballet, Contemporary, Repertoire, Drama and Body conditioning. Class numbers are limited so early registration is advisable to avoid disappointment. Registrations are now open and will close when class sizes are full.

**MWM and NCD Students please note: you do not need to supply studio with the photo's & exam information, just registration forms.**

### ★Physiotherapy - Camille Clinton

Please pay any overdue fees to Camille ASAP. There are many overdue accounts from 2<sup>nd</sup> term.

### ★Photo Orders

Next Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> September is the last day for Scholarship Concert photo orders. Orders can be handed in to the office or directly to Katie O'Brien.

### ★AICD Workshop

The Australian Institute of Classical Dance (Marilyn Jones OBE, Artistic Director) will be holding a workshop on 4<sup>th</sup> October for interested students Advanced Foundation onward. Please see the notice board for more information and ask at the office for an entry form. NB: held first day of NCD auditions.

### ★Congratulations

Congratulations to former student Roseanna Anderson, currently with Rambert School of Ballet & Contemporary Dance, for receiving the Charlotte Kirk-Patrick Award and Scholarship recently in London.

### ★Genee

Best wishes for those heading to Singapore to the Genee. We will keep you informed.

### ★Presentation Day – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> 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. We look forward to seeing you all there.

### ★Thankyou

Thanks to the students who were part of the DVD on new work made last fortnight. London appreciated this very much. If you return the DVD borrowed from Mrs Pickering ASAP you will be given a keepsake copy of the DVD filmed at the studio, featuring yourself.

### ★New Enrolments

In order to stabilize Concert rehearsals and costume orders new enrolments will be restricted after 3/10/09. New students wishing to enrol at our studio will not be involved in the concert rehearsals however, are more than welcome to attend the weekly syllabus classes in preparation for examinations in 2010.

### ★Guest Teachers

We are fortunate to have many successful students dancing professionally in various parts of the world. It is lovely when they can return and visit bringing with them their experiences and different styles of dance to share. During September we have two workshops planned for contemporary dance from both Roseanna Anderson and Tara Soh. Roseanna currently with Rambert School of Ballet & Contemporary Dance and Tara Soh who has been dancing professionally with Australian Dance Theatre Company and as a company member performed on this past season of so you think you can dance. Both hold a daytime workshop at our studio for students in Advanced 2 and Level 5 on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September, It is an exciting opportunity for our staff and students to gain from these guests. Times are yet to be advised but please register you name on the notice board, please note the two workshops will be held during school time so you parents consent is compulsory, Parents MUST sign the notice board alongside students name, the cost of the workshops will be \$15 each day.

### ★Parking

**NB:** there is strictly NO PARKING on Lloyd Road (outside the front of the studio).

With Fond Wishes,  
Marie Walton-Mahon