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NEWSLETTER

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Welcome

Welcome to 2010 at Pointe2Pointe! A very special "welcome" to our new students and great big "hello" to those returning for another year of dancing fun! As always, Term 1 promises to be very exciting and very hectic! We are busy getting to know our new students, our Performance Company has participated in a Summer School over the holidays to learn their solos and duos, we are already choreographing troupes for the Eisteddfods and we are eagerly awaiting our first Pointe2Pointe Workshops for the year! Read on to find out more about what we have planned... Here's to a fabulous Term 1 at Pointe2Pointe – we're looking forward to working with you!

Miss Nat

2009 Annual Concert

"The Little Mermaid"



CONGRATULATIONS on a brilliant show everyone!! Last December, our students showcased their talents by performing the most amazing show for their family and friends. All our students – from our 3 year old Tiny Tots right through to our Adults – worked extremely hard preparing for the show. It really was a



testament to our students' commitment and dedication to dancing. Well done everyone!

A very big **THANK YOU** to our fantastic volunteers for their assistance in putting on the show. No job was too hard – from sewing, prop making, baking, supervising kids, assisting backstage or front of house, donating Lucky Door Prizes, etc. Thanks again, we couldn't have done it without you



Brilliant show everyone – we hope you loved it as much as us!

REMINDERS:

Stunning photos were taken at the studio and at the performance and are still available for purchase. Please contact Blue Fence Events on **0412 101 543** or view the photos online at www.bluefenceevents.com.

Also, don't forget that DVDs of the performance are still available. As always, the DVD is fabulous! Ask your teacher for a **2009 DVD Order Form**.

Teacher Feature

Many of our new students this year may not be aware of who we are - after all, we're spread out over three studios! So here's a quick introduction to the Pointe2Pointe teaching faculty and our wonderful Teachers' Assistants!

Miss Nat

Position: Founding Director

Currently Teaches: Pointe2Pointe Performance Company, Junior and Intermediate Stretch & Strengthen, Pointe, Adult Classical/Contemporary, Adult Tap & Private Lessons.

Primary Responsibilities: Artistic and Administrative Director of Pointe2Pointe, manages the Performance Company, choreographer, costume designer and oversees examinations.



Nicole

Position: Dance Teacher

Currently Teaches: Tiny Tots, Pre-Primary, Junior, Intermediate and Senior Theatrical, Junior, Intermediate and Senior Hip Hop, Senior Stretch & Strengthen, Adult Jazz / Hip Hop & Private Lessons.

Anouska

Position: Dance Teacher

Currently Teaches: Junior Classical, Intermediate Classical, Junior Contemporary, Intermediate Contemporary & Private Lessons.



Courteney

Position: Dance Teacher

Currently Teaches: Primary 1, Primary 2, Junior Combined & Private Lessons.

NOTE: The Primary Responsibility of our Dance Teachers is to teach dance! Please refer any queries or concerns to Miss Nat. Our teachers will happily pass on a message or payment but will not answer administrative questions...thanks!!

Teachers' Assistants

Tiny Tots.....**Amanda Brown & Steff Commisso**
Pre-Primary.....**Amanda Brown**
Primary 1.....**Gabby Macgregor**
Primary 2.....**Hannah Foley**
Junior Combined.....**Meg Phillips**
Junior Hip Hop.....**Gabby Macgregor**

Upcoming Events



Gymnastics & Butterflies Workshop

Our first Gymnastics Workshop will be held on **Saturday 17 April** (during the Term 1 School Holidays). Designed for students and their friends aged between 3-10 years, the workshop combines kids' love for tumbling, jumping, somersaulting, twirling, balancing, climbing and cart-wheeling with an introduction to story dance. The kids have the chance to express themselves creatively with music, dance, stories, craft activities and a few treats of course! And guess what...Mums and Dads get a bit of "time out"! Dressing up is a must so start working on your outfits. The workshops are extremely popular so don't forget to register! Look out for a **Registration Form** in the coming weeks.

PS – boys are welcome and can be "killer" or "stinger" butterflies!!

Dance Workshop

Our first Dance Workshop will also be held on **Saturday 17 April**. These workshops involve guest artists and industry experts attending to teach a variety of new skills that students don't get the opportunity to undertake during normal classes. The genre for this workshop is still to be determined but we'll keep you posted! Look out for a **Registration Form** really soon.

Eisteddfod

Our Performance Company will be participating in the Riverside Dance Festival, a local dance competition, during the first week of the Term 1 School Holidays.

Troupes.....**Sunday 11 April**

Solos / Duos.....**Monday 12 – Friday 16 April**



We encourage you all to attend to support our students, not to mention enjoy the fabulous display of local talent! Have fun everyone and "break a leg" – we know you'll be fabulous!

Dinner for the Stars (Tickets: www.webticketing.com.au)



Pointe2Pointe proudly supports the local Pumps for PatCH charity which raises funds to purchase insulin pumps for paediatric diabetes patients. "Dinner for the Stars" is a fabulous evening including a dinner, charity auction, dancing and entertainment.

Come along on **Saturday 13 March** to support the community and our own little stars as they perform at Dinner for the Stars!

P2P Merchandise

Pointe2Pointe has a fabulous collection of merchandise for sale! Choose from short and long-sleeve Ts, singlets, jackets, dance bags, drink bottles, headbands, etc! Order some gear today - just ask your teacher for a **Merchandise Order Form**.

Second Hand Shop

Pointe2Pointe has a selection of second hand attire and footwear for sale. If you have items for sale, or need to purchase items, please contact Robyn Musial, on **0408 468 815** or via email **robynm@emailme.net.au** or...ask your teacher for a **Second Hand Shop Form**.

Important Reminders



Fee Payments

Fees are always due on the third Saturday of term – this term it is **Saturday 20 February**. Please pay in full, or make your first instalment payment by the **20th** to avoid the \$25.00 late fee!

EFT payments? Must be processed by the bank **prior to the 19th**.

Instalments? Get an Instalment Payment Note from your teacher.

Credit Card payments? Make an appointment with Miss Nat.

Remember...no cheques or cash deposits...thanks!

Closed on Public Holidays

Yes, we are closed on public holidays! If you wish to 'make up' your class, please speak to the Director. 'Make up' classes must be taken during the term from the **2010 Class Schedule**.

Dress Code

Our dress code is detailed in the **2010 Information Pack**. Note:

ρ Colours are black & white ρ Hair must be tied back

ρ Have correct attire & footwear ρ NO makeup and jewellery

Arriving on Time for Classes

Pointe2Pointe actively promotes safe dance practices as part of its core philosophy. Students who arrive late and miss the first 10 minutes **cannot** participate as they will have missed warm-up!

Mobile Phones

Please ensure all mobile phones are **turned off** during class – better still...don't bring them to class at all!

Bring a Drink and Snack

Please **always** bring a water bottle to class – whether you're 3 or 103, it's an important health factor! Also, bring a healthy snack if you're at class for 2 or more hours – to replenish your energy!

Collecting Students

With student safety in mind, Pointe2Pointe has a strict policy that **no student may leave the studio without a parent/guardian**. Please ensure that you collect your child from inside the building.

Moved House or Changed Phone Numbers?

Let us know – we need to be able to contact you in an emergency!

Key Dates – Term 1

Term Commences.....**Monday 1 February**

Term Concludes.....**Sunday 11 April**

Fees Due.....**Saturday 20 February**

Public Holidays.....**Monday 8 March and Fri 2–Mon 5 April**

Gymnastics Workshop.....**Saturday 17 April**

Dance Workshop.....**Saturday 17 April**

Riverside Dance Festival.....**Sunday 11 – Friday 16 April**

**** Don't forget to check the website, notice boards and **
kids' dance bags for recent notes, news and updates**

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