

Welcome

Hello all, welcome back to Term Four and our last action-packed term for the year! It has been a wonderful second year for Pointe2Pointe and we'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support. We hope you have enjoyed yourselves as much as we have!

Term Three was another busy term which included eisteddfods, our very first exams and another fabulous workshop. Read on below to find out more.

Our last 9 weeks will be heavily focused on our annual performance. Thank you to the volunteers already working hard on our costumes and props. To those who volunteered that we haven't contacted yet - don't worry we haven't forgotten you and we'll be in touch soon!

So... let's "gear up" ready for our second, sensational, annual performance!

Miss Natalie and Sally

Exams

Pointe2Pointe held its first ever Examination Day in September involving our *Primary 2, Junior, Intermediate* and *Adult* students.

Our results were amazing - a 100% pass rate. Of those students who were graded, **98% were awarded Honours or Highly Commend** which are the highest of the grades. **CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE** - what a marvellous effort to learn and perfect all those exercises and dances and then to do so well!! We already can't wait for next year!



Eisteddfod Performances



Yet another big **CONGRATULATIONS** to our Performance Company who participated at Orange Eisteddfod and the Brindabella Dance Festival this term.

We saw some fantastic results again, particularly at the Brindabella Dance Festival. A very hearty congratulations to

Brooke Downie who placed first in all three of her solos and her two duos. Also, congratulations to Rachel Winkler who placed in all twelve of her solos and four duos! Finally, a very special word for Aishia Gatdula for being awarded the Most Promising 'Baby Dancer' prize.

For the first time, Pointe2Pointe entered three troupes at Brindabella Dance Festival with fabulous results! Our Primary Troupe was awarded 3rd for their Jazz and our Junior Troupe was awarded 2nd for their Contemporary and Highly Commended for their Song & Dance. Well done girls - you made us very proud.

Performers at Orange Eisteddfod included *Rachel Winkler*.

Performers at Brindabella Dance Festival included *Hannah Foley, Meg Phillips, Brooke Downie, Brenna Enos, Rachel Winkler, Jessica Taylor, Emily Lewis, Aisha Gatdula, Georgia Forster, Mariah Brody, Mya Bailey* and *Jasmine Burns*.



Brooke



Brenna

Pirates & Princesses Workshop



Wow!! Another brilliant workshop!! This time it was *Princesses and Pirates* and we all had a ball making princess hats and pirate bandannas, decorating cookies, doing lots of activities and colour-in pages, making princess pencils and eating yummy food.

Yes...there was lots of glitter, sprinkles, lollies and fluffy pink stuff again but the fabulous pirates we had definitely made their mark (and broke up all the pink!).



Upcoming Events

Eisteddfod Showcase Afternoon

Do you love an afternoon of fabulous entertainment? Well then you simply cannot miss our **2008 Eisteddfod Showcase!** On *Sunday 9 November*, our Performance Company students will entertain us with their 2008 solos and duos. Get your family and friends together and come along for a fantastic show!

2008 Christmas Party

Our **2008 Christmas Party** will be held at Lake Ginninderra on *Sunday 14 December*. We look forward to seeing all the students and their families there for a relaxing BBQ and "catch up" about the year that was...

2008 Annual Concert



Thumbelina's Garden & other Amazing Adventures

Photos & Rehearsal - **Sunday 7 Dec @ 10.00am**

Dress Rehearsal - **Friday 12 Dec @ 12.30pm**

Shows - **Friday 12 & Saturday 13 Dec @ 6.30pm**

Over the next couple of weeks we will be providing you with all the information you will need to prepare for our end of year performance. Here are some quick notes:

Concert Meeting ~ In the last 10 minutes of your child's class next week (Week 2) we will be holding a Concert Meeting. Please ensure one parent is present as we will provide important information regarding the shows.

Concert Booklet ~ You will also receive in Week 2 an information booklet to guide you through preparing for the concert. It will contain all the information you will need for the remainder of our preparations & show days.

Costumes ~ All costume instalments should now have been paid in full. If you have not paid your final instalment, please ensure you do so *this week*. Please note that costumes will not be provided to any student until payment has been received in full.

Rehearsals ~ Please take note of the rehearsal dates and make every effort to be available. We have kept 'whole of school rehearsals' to the absolute minimum but it is essential all students attend so we can ensure a great show.

Tickets ~ Notes will go up in Week 2 regarding ticket prices and the days and times for purchasing tickets. Students performing in the show will require a ticket if they are to watch any part of the show from the audience.

Dressers ~ All classes with students under 10 years require 2-3 parent supervisors in the dressing room. More information will be provided shortly. In the meantime, please start to discuss with the other parents in your child's class and who might be available to 'take it in turns' to volunteer on either of Friday and Saturday evenings.



Student Concert Photos ~ On *Sunday 7 December*, prior to the whole of school rehearsal, **Blue Fence Events Photography** will be take group and individual photos of all students (in full dress with makeup). Photos will be available for purchase directly from Blue Fence Events. Attendance is compulsory for all students.

Concert DVD ~ Our performance will be professionally filmed by South West Video Productions. It's a fantastic record of your child's hard work this year and also a great gift for grandparents, etc. Order forms will be available in the Concert Booklet. Please respect the copyright of DVDs.

Concert Practice Music ~ In Week 2, each student will receive a practice CD containing the music for their dances. Students should aim to practice their dances at home once or twice a week. Being thoroughly familiar with the dances helps to settle performance nerves on show night.

Reminders



Payment of Fees

Term Four Fees are due on *Saturday 1st November*. Please note that students with outstanding fees will **not** be permitted to perform in the Concert.

Key Dates Term Four

Term commences.....Monday 13 October
Term ends.....Sunday 14 December
Eisteddfod ShowcaseSunday 9 November
Ballet (only) RehearsalSaturday 29 November
Ballet (only) RehearsalSaturday 6 December
Concert Photos (All Students).....Sunday 7 December
Full Rehearsal (All Students).....Sunday 7 December
Dress Rehearsal (Theatre).....Friday 12 December
Concert Show Nights12 and 13 December
End of Term Christmas PartySunday 14 December
2009 Enrolment DaySaturday 17 January

2009 Enrolments

Enrolments for 2009 are now open. In Week 2 we will provide you with forms to complete to secure your place for 2009. We already have a long waiting list for next year!

Please always check the notice boards (and your child's dance bag) for recent notes and news updates!!

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