

How time flies...!

We're sure you'll agree that we must all be having lots of fun, as this term seems to be flying by! Our teachers have been so impressed with how quickly the children have been picking up their new exercises. It's a joy to see everyone enjoying themselves in class!

Parents' Days, Preparatory & Pre-Primary – Monday 30th March – Saturday 4th April

Parents of children enrolled in **Preparatory and Pre-Primary** classes are invited to come into their child's usual class during the last week of Term 1 to see how well our littlest dancers have done in learning their exercises and dances this term. We encourage the children to approach this class as a mini-performance for a very special audience and, with that in mind, as with every class, we would be grateful if parents could ensure that their children are properly groomed and wearing the correct uniform for the occasion. We ask that, where possible, younger siblings not attend Parents' Day classes, since we appreciate it can be challenging for very little ones to sit still in a studio for an extended period, and it can be distracting for our dancers if their younger siblings are unsettled. Thank you in advance for your consideration. We also ask that there be no filming or photography during the class. Teachers will ensure that there are a few minutes at the end of the class for parents to take individual and/or group photos.

The following make up classes will be held after the normal end of Term 1:

Grade 2 Extension Class – Monday 6th April
North Perth Tuesday Ballet Grades 1, 2, 3 & 6 and Spanish Grades 4-6 – Tuesday 7th April

Parents whose children are enrolled in **Grades 1 and above and our Boys Class** will have the opportunity to come and watch their child's class in Term 2 in the week commencing Monday 18th May (please see Term & Diary Dates).

Term & Diary Dates

Term dates

Term 1: Mon 3rd Feb – Sat 4th April

NB Make Up Classes:

– **Grade 2 Extension on Mon 6th April**
– **North Perth Tuesday Ballet Grades 1, 2, 3, 6 & Spanish Grades 4-6 on Tues 7th April**

Term 2: Mon 27th April – Sat 27th June

NB No classes on Saturday 2nd May

Make Up Classes:

– **Grade 2 Extension – Mon 29th June**
– **ALL SATURDAY CLASSES – Sat 5th July**

Term 3: Mon 20th July – Sat 19th Sept

NB Grade 2 Extension Make Up Class – Mon 21st Sept

Term 4: Mon 12th Oct - Sat 12th Dec

*EOY Performance for Pre-Primary to Senior students – 18th & 19th Dec

Term 1 Diary Dates:

Free Dress Week

– Mon 16th – Sat 21st March (see below)
Parents' Days Preparatory + Pre-Primary
– Mon 30th March – Sat 4th April

Future Diary Dates:

CBC & CBS Soirée Rehearsal at Burswood for Grades 5-Seniors
Contemporary Classes –
Thurs 23rd & Fri 24th April
CBC & CBS Soirée – Sat 2nd May
Term 2 Parents' Days Grade 1 and above - Mon 18th May - Sat 23rd May
Term 2 Parents' Days Preparatory + Pre-Primary - Mon 22nd June - Sat 27th June
Term 3 Grade 2-Seniors Assessments – Sun 13th Sept (times TBC)
Term 3 Parents' Days Preparatory – Seniors – Monday 14th Sept – Sat 19th Sept

Dropping off before and picking up after class

In order for our teachers to run classes smoothly without any stress on the children, we would like to remind parents and carers of the importance of arriving around 5 minutes before your child's class begins, ensuring your child is completely ready for class to start on time, and of staying with them until they go into the studio with their teacher. Please also apply the same 5-minute rule to collecting your child after class, so that the next class, should there be one, can begin on time or to enable our teachers to lock up and get home to their families. Please do come into the building to collect your child, as our teachers will not be able to check outside for parents waiting. Thank you in advance.

Looking ahead – Grades 3 - Seniors

Our dancers taking both Level 1 and Level 2 classes in these Grades begin to prepare for their Grade Examinations from the middle of Term 2. The Examinations are held at the end of Term 3 (please see Term and Diary Dates). They then prepare a piece for the end of year performance in Term 4, drawing on their studies in both weekly classes in the previous three terms. Students in these Grades are therefore required to attend two classes per week in order to participate in both the Examination and end of year Performance. The Level 1 class extends their classical ballet studies and includes exercises for fitness, strengthening and flexibility. These classes are held at our central studios in North Perth and Burswood, as well as at our branches around Perth for our Grade 3 and 4 students – all classes for students in Grade 5 and above are held at our North Perth studios. Level 2 classes are held at our North Perth and Burswood studios, and are a valuable addition to the students' dance studies focusing on classical technique. Only those students taking both classes will be entered for the relevant examination, receiving a graded certificate afterwards, and will be able to dance in the end of year performance with their peers. If your child is currently enrolled in Level 1 only and you would like to enrol them for Level 2 also from Term 2, please contact us at

Term Fees & Getting In Touch

Parents are kindly reminded that Term Fees are due by the first day of each term. That being:

Term 2 – Monday 27th April

Term 3 – Monday 20th July

Term 4 – Monday 12th October

Paying your child's term fees is a quick and easy online process via our website, charlesworthballet.com.au, where you simply log in to your account and click on the button against the next term to pay the fees. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle in Accounts via email at accounts@charlesworthballet.com.au. Please bear in mind that repeat invoices for late fees will incur a \$15 admin fee.

In the meantime, as term progresses, if you find you have any questions for us, please feel free to contact us at any time via email at schooladmin@charlesworthballet.com.au or by phone on 9475 0320. The office is manned from 9:00am-3:00pm on Monday-Friday.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

While media and public commentary in relation to Novel coronavirus (COVID-19) continues to raise concerns for many families, public health authorities are advising that the current risk remains low in Western Australia. However, as the health and wellbeing of our students and staff remains our highest priority, we need to remain vigilant to any potential for increased risks and take precautionary measures to ensure the safest possible environment for our students.

Protective Measures:

Staff and students have discussed *basic protective measures* to ensure the highest standard of personal hygiene and care. A handout on these is also provided for you to read with your children.

- CBI has alcohol-based hand sanitisers at the entrance to the studios and students are encouraged to use these.
- Staff will be wiping down ballet barres, door handles, light switches and classroom tables before and after each class with antibacterial wipes and spray.
- Signs will be placed on walls near studio/hall entry at all branches. These signs remind students to wash hands before entering the class. Teachers will continue to remind students to wash hands after the use of the toilet, and at the end of class.
- Physical contact between students will be avoided in all classes.

If Students or Staff are unwell:

CBI asks that students and staff who are presenting with a fever or flu like symptoms to please stay at home until their symptoms are clear.

International Travel:

Students or staff cannot attend school if they have:

- Left or transited through mainland China on or after 24 February, they must isolate themselves for 14 days from the date of leaving mainland China
- Left or transited through Iran on or after 1 March, they must isolate themselves for 14 days after leaving Iran
- Left or transited through the Republic of Korea, on or after 5 March, they must isolate themselves for 14 days after leaving the Republic of Korea
- Been informed by public health authorities that they have been in close contact with a confirmed case of coronavirus and must isolate themselves for 14 days after the date of last contact with the confirmed case.
- The above also applies to all parents/carers, contractors, visitors and volunteers.

As we continue to respond to Novel coronavirus COVID-19 at CBI, please take care of yourself and your families. Our primary goal is to safeguard the health of our staff and students and reduce transmission.

Please be assured we will continue to respond to advice from the WA Department of Health and provide updated advice to our students and families. Thank you.