



AAMD

Term 1 2022 Newsletter

Happy New Year and welcome to a new year of dancing at AAMD.

We are really looking forward to a fun-filled year of dance with hopefully as few disruptions as possible!

Dance Show Cancellation

Due to the uncertainty of the times we find ourselves living in and with the realization that our audience numbers at the theatre would be significantly reduced should the show have gone ahead (along with many other reasons) I have made the difficult decision to not go ahead with the dance show at the end of February.

I understand it's very disappointing, as we had put so much work into the show so far, but I feel it is the right decision to make as the threat of it not going ahead anyway is very real right now.

The theatre has been rebooked for 17-20 November 2022 and the current plan is to stick with the dance show plan we currently have and "rebuild" it as needed so it works for our 2022 dancers. So please keep the costumes you have purchased somewhere safe for now.

COVID-19

Protection Framework

Please refer to page 3 of this newsletter for guidance on what the traffic light system implementation means for our dance school. This is very important information, so please read it carefully.

Timetable & Other Changes for 2022

You will find the 2022 timetable on page 2 of this newsletter. Please note the small changes to the timetable in comparison to last year, with some classes moving to a different day, time or increasing to a 45min or 1 hour class.

Re-enrolment Procedure For Term 1 2022

Use the link provided in the email sent to you to complete the Re-Enrolment form for Term 1 2022. Once this has been completed and submitted, you will be issued with an invoice for fees confirming your dancer's class day(s) and times(s).

Please note: You/Your child will not be enrolled in any classes unless this form is completed. Please ensure you complete the form ASAP.

If you have any friends or family wishing to start a class at AAMD, please have them contact us via email, phone, Facebook page or Instagram to arrange a trial lesson.

Changes to Teaching Staff at AAMD

We are very sad to announce that Jessica Kelly and Grace Green will not be continuing to teach at AAMD this year. We will miss them immensely but wish them all the best with their chosen careers.

A huge thank you to both of them for sharing their dedication and passion for dance with all their dancers over the last few years.

Jessica's classes will be taken over by other current AAMD teachers and Grace will stay on to teach Acro until her replacement has been confirmed.

Dance school leotards, jazz pants, soft dancing slippers and Hip Hop tshirts will be available to buy at each lesson. Jazz and Lyrical footwear and other dancewear items can be purchased from: Kayla's Dance Emporium
Ph: 021 104 2251
www.kaylasdanceemporium.com

Term 1 2022 Dates

Term 1 will commence on Tuesday 8 February and end on Thursday 14 April.

Movitae Closes, MOVITANZ Launches

We were very sad to learn late last year that Movitae is shutting down in February, but thankfully Kathleen Curwen-Walker saw what a valuable tool this is for dance schools and has set about creating a newer and better site/app called MOVITANZ.

It's still currently being developed and tested, but they confirm that it will be ready to launch well before Movitae shuts down permanently next month.

Please note that as this will be a new platform, none of the content from Movitae will be transferred across. Therefore, if you uploaded content to Movitae that you don't wish to lose, you will need to download it from Movitae and upload to MOVITANZ once it's up and running. If you need assistance with this, please contact Anjannette.

We will provide details regarding signing up to the new platform once it's been launched.

For those unfamiliar with MOVITANZ, it is a private video sharing platform for dance schools which delivers an innovative extended dance learning environment. Footage will be recorded at lessons and uploaded via the app for sharing discreetly to classes or individuals. Parents and dancers will be able to access this footage allowing everyone to learn at their own pace in their own home. Dancers can also record themselves practicing at home and upload and share directly with their dance teacher in order to receive feedback and progress regarding their dancing outside of class time.





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Minimum Age for classes:

- Beginners Jazz 4 yrs
- Pre Junior Jazz 5 yrs
- Junior Jazz 6 yrs
- Pre Grade Jazz 7 yrs
- Grade 1 Jazz 8 yrs
- Grade 2 Jazz 9 yrs
- Grade 4 Jazz 11 yrs
- Grade 5 Jazz 11 yrs
- Pre Major Jazz 13 yrs
- Major Jazz 14 yrs
- Intermediate 1 Jazz 15 yrs
- Advanced 1 Jazz 16 yrs
- Senior Open Jazz 17 yrs
- Junior Lyrical 6-8 yrs
- Intermediate Lyrical 9-11 yrs
- Senior Lyrical 12 yrs
- Advanced Lyrical 14 yrs
- Junior Hip Hop 6-8 yrs
- Intermediate Hip Hop 9-11 yrs
- Senior Hip Hop 12 yrs
- Advanced Hip Hop 15 yrs
- Dance Acro 6 yrs

TIMETABLE FOR 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
4.00-4.45 Dance Acro	4.00-4.45 Grade 3 Jazz	3.30-4.00 Beginners Jazz	4.00-4.30 Pre Junior Jazz
4.45-5.30 Junior Lyrical	4.45-5.45 Grade 6 Jazz	4.00-4.45 Junior Hip Hop	4.30-5.15 Junior Jazz
5.30-6.15 Intermediate Lyrical	5.45-6.45 Major Jazz	4.45-5.30 Intermediate Hip Hop	5.15-6.00 Pre Grade Jazz
6.15-7.00 Senior Lyrical	6.45-7.45 Intermediate 1 Jazz	5.30-6.15 Senior Hip Hop	6.00-6.45 Grade 1 Jazz
7.00-7.45 Advanced Lyrical	7.45-8.45 Advanced 2 Jazz	6.15-7.00 Advanced Hip Hop	6.45-7.30 Grade 2 Jazz
7.45-8.30 Senior Open Jazz		7.00-7.45 Adults Jazz	7.30-8.30 Grade 5 Jazz

Uniform & Grooming

All classes require hair to be neatly tied back

JAZZ: Dance school leotard, jazz shorts or ¾ leggings and jazz shoes. Boys wear the dance school singlet top, shorts and jazz shoes.

HIP HOP: Dance school singlet top or t-shirt, leggings or shorts and your own tidy street shoes. Boys wear the dance school singlet top or t-shirt, shorts or trackpants and their own tidy street shoes.

LYRICAL: Same uniform as for Jazz with foot thongs on feet.

BODY CONDITIONING & DANCE ACRO: Comfortable, close fitting clothes and bare feet.

No jewellery please (medic alert bracelets and stud earrings are allowed).

Please make an effort to be well groomed every lesson.

Term Fees are as follows:

\$105.00 30min class Beginners, Pre Junior

\$128.00 45min class Junior, Pre Grade, Grade 1, 2, 3, Hip Hop, Lyrical, Dance Acro & Adults

\$150.00 1 hr class Grade 4, 5, 6, Pre Major, Major, Intermediate 1, Advanced 2 & Senior Open

All prices include GST

Discounts available:

\$25.00 family with 2 members dancing

\$35.00 family with 3 members dancing

\$10.00 for those who attend 2 or more classes per week

\$15.00 for those who attend 3 or more classes per week

\$5.00 if paying on or before the **first lesson** of term (this discount applies once only, for the total of your fees).

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Fee Terms and Conditions

- Fees can be paid by cash, cheque or internet banking - account number is: 12 3107 0018968 00
- All discounts apply if paying in the first month of term only.
- All fees must be fully paid by the end of week 4 of each term. Failure to do so will result in a \$25 penalty being added to the outstanding balance and only fully paid up dancers will be accepted into classes after this date.
- If fees remain unpaid for 3 months your invoice will be lodged with Baycorp Debt Collection Agency. At this time their collection fees will be added to the outstanding total and all further correspondence will be with them.
- No refunds on dance fee, examination fees and costume deposits for the end of year show.
- The Academy follows the school terms until the end of term 3, and term 4 will finish with the end of year show.



Covid-19 Protection Framework

Please take a moment to read through the following points carefully. If you have any questions, concerns or hesitations, we are only an email away. Your kindness and cooperation is much appreciated.

VACCINE PASSPORTS

In order to keep our doors open to students and their families under the orange traffic light, we are required to follow the vaccine pass requirements. Gyms and indoor recreation facilities such as dance studios, yoga studios, health clubs, bowling alleys and ice skating rinks, can open under the orange setting, but only with vaccine passes and restrictions in place. This means that students over the age of 12 + 3 months who are eligible for the vaccine, and anyone including parents/family members over the age of 12 who wish to enter the facility, must show proof of vaccination.

To prove your vaccination status, you will be required to show your unique 'My Vaccine Pass' QR code for us to scan using the NZ Pass Verifier app. Your purple vaccination card given at the time of vaccination cannot be used as an official record.

Please note: We will only request to sight your vaccination pass once every six months.

You will not be required to show this information every time you visit.

In order to protect your privacy, your QR code will not be stored in any way.

We will simply place a tick next to your name on our spreadsheet, and then delete the email containing your QR code until we need to see it again 6 months later.

We understand that for many different reasons, these new restrictions may affect your enrolment with us. I would like to emphasise that we have always prioritised maintaining a kind, safe, and positive learning environment, and wish to continue doing so. Complying with the new vaccine pass requirements allows us the freedom to operate with minimal restrictions, reduces the risk of further transmission of Covid-19 in our community, and ensures we can continue to flourish as a small business.

If you are choosing not to be vaccinated and will no longer be able to dance with us, please let us know as soon as you can by emailing Anjannette at info@anjmoderndance.co.nz.

You can read more about the guidelines specific to us by visiting

<https://covid19.govt.nz/traffic-lights/life-at-orange/sport-and-recreation-at-orange/recreation-at-orange/>

HEALTH AND SAFETY

I take pride in our business and how it operates, and would like to highlight the updated policies I have in place at the studio to help our dance families stay healthy and safe.

Please take a moment to read the following points thoroughly. Your cooperation is immensely appreciated.

- The Western Heights School hall will continue to be professionally cleaned. If you feel the facility is not up to standard at any point, please alert your teacher or contact Anjannette and let her know.
- Masks are optional but encouraged as per the official government guidelines. Masks can be removed when physically active, with the advice to put them back on when entering and exiting the building, going to the bathroom etc.
- A QR code will be available to scan on the exterior and interior doors of the hall. We will also be marking attendance in class to ensure our contact tracing information is accurate.
- Frequent and thorough hand-washing is encouraged before each class to minimise the spread of germs. There will be hand sanitiser available for use at the front door.
- Dance Barres and door handles are wiped down before and after each class.
- Parents are asked to drop off students and not come into the hall to watch classes.
- Drinks may only be taken from personal drink bottles.
- Please DO NOT attend class if you/your student is feeling under the weather or are still recovering from illness.

If you or your child are feeling unwell, I politely ask that you do not visit the dance studio until you are well enough.

- Anyone who is awaiting a Covid-19 test result should comply with government policies regarding self-isolation.