

Cameron Ballet Academy Newsletter



Newsletter 1, Term 3 2013

Dear Students/Parents/Caregivers,

We are at a very busy time of the year, with many students preparing for their Examination or Presentation – good luck to everyone in their preparation! As always, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

DATES TO DIARY

Mon 23rd Sep – Sat 28th Sep:	Parents Watching week
Fri 27th September	Contemporary Exams
Sat 28th September	Term 3 concludes
Sun 29th Sep – Tue 1st Oct	Grades Exam/Presentation extra classes
Wed 2nd – Sat 5th Oct:	RAD Grades Exams/Presentations
Mon 14th October:	Term 4 commences
Fri 25th – Mon 28th Oct	Labour Weekend – NO CLASSES
Fri 25th – Mon 28th Oct	Labour Weekend Festival of Dance
Sun 8th and Mon 9th Dec:	End of Year Shows at Centennial Theatre
Mon 9th Dec	Prizegiving/End of Term 4

EXAM NOTIFICATION

Thank you for your exam entries – we have now submitted these to the RAD and we will receive notification of the examination timetable in early-mid September.

RAD EXAMINER: TONIA ROBERTSON

We have been so fortunate to have RAD Examiner Tonia Robertson as a Guest Teacher for students preparing for their exams. Requests for private/shared lessons were popular and completely booked out within one week! Due to such a high demand Mrs Robertson has agreed to coach again for us on selected Monday afternoons and on Sunday 8th September. Please email admin@cameronballet.co.nz as soon as possible to request a lesson. Lessons will be offered on a first come, first served basis. Students who have already booked lessons with Mrs Robertson are welcome to re-book.

UNIFORM

As we are approaching our exam session, now is the time to check all uniform requirements are correct. Please check character skirts are also the preferred length (6cm from the base of the knee cap). If you are uncertain if your child has the regulation uniform please do not hesitate to contact us.

All uniform requirements are listed on the CBA website under "DRESS".

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CLASSES UPDATE:

After the Grades exams in October, please note the following:

Pre-Primary/Shining Stars: In Term 4, these students will elevate to a 45 minute class per week from 30 minutes as they progress to Primary.

Primary students: In term 4, these students will become Grade 1 level and will move to TWO classes per week.

MAKE UP CLASSES:

It is encouraging to see so many students making up classes if they have been absent from their usual lesson. Please remember that if a class is missed for any reason you are able to attend the same grade class another day. It is not necessary to attend the make up class in the same week, but it must be taken within the same term.

BEING LATE TO CLASS

We understand that these are busy times and there may be an occasion where a student is late to class. Being late causes anxiety for the student and causes disruption to the class, so we appreciate every effort to be on time. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

FACEBOOK GROUP

If you use Facebook, you are welcome to join our group. Simply search "Cameron Ballet Academy" and ask to join. It is a great way to keep everyone updated on what is happening at CBA!

We organized a trip (from our Facebook group) to Swan Lake on Sunday 25th August. Here are some of the girls who attended, all having a wonderful time!



CBA's LABOUR WEEKEND FESTIVAL OF DANCE

If you are in Auckland over Labour Weekend and looking for something to do, why not come along and support CBA's inaugural ballet competition! The Labour Weekend Festival of Dance is being held at the Centennial Theatre over the holiday weekend for New Zealand Competition dancers. A timetable will be posted on the noticeboard and our Facebook page early in Term 4.

LOST PROPERTY:

All lost property collected is stored in the cupboard at the Hobsonville Community Hall. Named items will usually find their owner again, so please ensure all items (including ballet and character shoes) are named or initialled. Also, we ask that students bring their belongings into the studio for safekeeping, rather than leave them unattended outside.

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PARENTS WATCHING WEEK – Mon 23rd – Sat 22nd Sep

Parents are warmly welcome to watch classes in the final week of this term, from Mon 23rd to Sat 28th September inclusive.

CONTEMPORARY EXAMS – FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER

Contemporary examinations will be held at the Hobsonville Community Hall between 11.30am – 6.00pm. An examination timetable will be posted very soon. Please note that there will be NO Contemporary classes running on exam day, however both Grade 7 and Advanced 2 will run at 6.15pm and 7.15pm respectively.

END OF YEAR SHOW

All students are invited to participate in our show, which will be held at the Centennial Theatre (Auckland Boys Grammar). It is a wonderful opportunity for students to partake in a full stage production, dancing onstage, under lights and for a live audience. A separate concert newsletter will follow towards the end of Term 3 with more details, but for now please diary these dates: Sunday 8th December and Monday 9th December

EXTRA EXAMINATION LESSONS:

All students from Grade 1-5 will have the first of their extra exam classes with RAD Examiner Tonia Robertson, on Sunday 1st September. This class is included in the examination fee paid. The timetable is as follows:

Sun 1st Sept at the Hobsonville Community Hall

10.00am Grade 1

11.00am Grade 2

12.00pm Grade 3 – Group A

1.00pm Break

1.30pm Grade 3 – Group B

2.30pm Grade 4

3.30pm Grade 5

4.30pm Finish

Grades 1-5 students will be notified in the coming weeks of the days/times of their remaining "extra exam classes". Most will be timetabled between Sunday 29th September and Tuesday 1st October.

Grade 7 extra classes are being held at Royal Road Primary School Hall on Sunday 1st September and Sunday 8th September at 11.30am.

Pre-Primary and Primary students have been notified separately of some of their extra Presentation rehearsals. Two more classes are yet to be notified and these will be confirmed in the coming weeks. Do contact us if at any stage you have any queries.

Happy Dancing!
From the team at CBA