ECOLE BALLET & DANCE THEATRE

TERM 3 AT ECOLE



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A BUSY TIME AHEAD



Dear Ecole Families,

We are half way through Term 3 already and have so many exciting things coming up. We are looking forward to our End of Year Performances on stage, at Glen Street Theatre in Belrose. It has been wonderful to be able to share all of our events with families and friends this year.

Thank you to all the students and families that participated in Open Day. It was an amazing weekend. You can read further information about it on page 6.

Best wishes,

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Bonnie Sartori Principal Ecole Ballet & Dance Theatre

Keep on top of what is going on

DIARY DATES & INFORMATION

Diary Dates

A summary of important dates can be found below. Junior & Middle School Photo Day Sunday 11 September (optional) **Term 3 Finishes** Saturday 24 September **Junior Holiday Camps** 26-28 September inclusive **Spring School for Ballet Exam Students** 4 to 9 October inclusive **Term 4 Starts** Monday 10 October Junior & Middle School Rehearsals at Ecole Saturday 15 October Junior & Middle School End of Year Performances at Glen Street Theatre Sunday 16 October **Senior School Photo Day** Sunday 23 October (optional) Senior School Rehearsals at Ecole Saturday 12 and Sunday 13 November Senior School Rehearsal at Glen Street Theatre Tuesday 15 November (after school) Senior School End of Year Performance at **Glen Street Theatre** Saturday 19 November Term 4 Finishes Saturday 3 December

September Junior Holiday Camps

Our Holiday Camps will be running from 26-28 September, with Miss Rhiannon and Miss Chloe. Please visit www.ecole.com.au/holidaycamps

Term 4 Invoicing & Vouchers

All invoices will be emailed during the week beginning 19 September. This is due to finalising the costume charges and invoices being paid prior to the start of Term 4. All Junior and Middle School invoices must be paid prior to collecting your child's costume.

If you have Active or Creative Kids vouchers for your Term 4 invoice, please submit these by Friday 16 September, www.ecole.com.au/submit-vouchers

2023 Timetable & Enrolments

Our 2023 timetable will be released in Term 4. We will advise when Enrolments open in due course.

Spring School for Ballet Exam Students

All Ballet Exam Students participating in Compulsory Spring School, 4 to 9 October inclusive, have been sent the details via email. Please visit our exam page, <u>www.ecole.com.au/exams-2022</u> for further information.

Contacting us

To stay up to date with information, please continue to check our website, <u>www.ecole.com.au</u>. You can follow us as well on <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Facebook</u>.

For all queries, please contact Cassie at <u>info@ecole.com.au</u> or 0433 832 653. Please remember to email or text if your child will be absent from class.

Time to shine

JUNIOR & MIDDLE SCHOOL EVENTS

It is not that long until our Junior and Middle School End of Year Performances (EOYP) and annual Photo Day. We are beyond excited to be able to have our End of Year Performances again. This year the Performance will be held at Glen Street Theatre, Belrose.

Special Call out to all Sewers

We have fitted all of the students for costumes. Our gorgeous Farmyard and Garden Costumes need the final embellishments to make them pop and sparkle on the stage. We would love some help with sewing. If you are happy to hand sew or machine sew some of the small, finishing details onto the costumes, please sign up here, <u>https://signup.zone/g53GirdQ5aLcrTBpS</u>

Please ensure you have these dates in your diary:

Sunday 11 September - Junior & Middle School Photo Day

Junior & Middle School Photo Day is held at Ecole. Have your child's photo taken professionally by WinkiPop Media in their EOYP costume. Information regarding this optional event has been emailed to Parents. You can find copies of the information on our website, <u>www.ecole.com.au/photoday</u>. To book a timeslot for Junior & Middle School Photo Day, please go to this signup zone, <u>https://signup.zone/RxdPErgL6dRPz3Ykh</u>. Please note registrations for Photo Day close at 5pm on Friday 2 September.

Saturday 15 October - Junior & Middle School Compulsory Rehearsal

Compulsory rehearsal for all Junior & Middle School students at Ecole. There will be NO classes for Junior and Middle School Students. Junior & Middle School students will have rehearsals only. Senior School classes will run as normal. Information regarding times etc, will be sent in the next week as a Performance Note.

Sunday 16 October - Junior & Middle School End of Year Performances

We will be having three performances at Glen Street Theatre, Belrose on this date. Junior School EOYP 1, Junior School EOYP 2 and a Middle School EOYP. Detailed information will be contained in the Performance Note to be sent out in the next week.

Term 4 for Junior & Middle School Students

Once we have completed our EOYP for Junior and Middle School students, we have many exciting things planned. We will be continuing to learn our syllabus work in class, as well as fun routines and themed weeks where the students will have opportunities to dress up for class.

What is coming up

SENIOR SCHOOL EVENTS

Senior School End of Year Performance and Photo Day

Further details regarding our Senior School Events will be sent to you in due course. Meanwhile, please ensure you have the following dates in your diary:

Diary Dates

Sunday 23 October – Senior Photo Day at Ecole (optional) Saturday 12 and Sunday 13 November – Compulsory Rehearsals at Ecole's Studios Tuesday 15 November – Compulsory Rehearsal at Glen Street Theatre (after school) Saturday 19 November – Final Rehearsal & End of Year Performance at Glen Street Theatre

The following classes are involved in the Senior School Photo Day and End of Year Performance:

All Ballet classes, Grades 4 and above All Jazz and Hip Hop classes year 5 and above All Lyrical & Contemporary classes year 5 and above All Tap and Musical Theatre classes year 5 and above All Tuesday Acro classes



Buy your new Ballet or Jazz shoes at Ecole

MDM SHOE FITTING & SALE DAY

Jodie Muir from More to the Pointe will be at the Studio on Saturday 3 September from 9am for MDM Ballet and Jazz shoe fittings. Please book your time via the signup zone, <u>https://signup.zone/vL6a6qXqhsMv8waB9</u>

Please note all students undertaking their RAD Exams, should have new MDM Ballet shoes. If your child does not have the correct Canvas shoe for the End of Year Performance (MDM or Bloch brand only), we will advise you prior to 3 September for you to book a time for a fitting.

Sales and Payments are made directly through More to the Pointe. Ecole does not profit from the sale in any way. This is a service provided for Ecole students. Credit card is preferred. A 20% discount on the RRP of the shoes is offered for shoes purchased on the day at Ecole's studios.



A day of community, dance and fun

OPEN DAY 2022 RECAP

Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 June blessed us with beautiful blue skies and warm days for Winter. We had nearly 60 classes perform, over 15 students in solos, duos or trios. We had eleven hampers as well as six special raffle items and a first – the Silent Auction to win a beautiful *Day on the Harbour* fully catered on a boat, generously donated by Belle Property at Lindfield.

We had so many delicious items at our amazing cake stall, dim sum, slushies and a sausage sizzle and the cute little Squishmallows for sale.

Open Day Weekend is a wonderful community event in a relaxed setting, that allows the students to perform their class exercises and a performance piece for their family and friends. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets for our Hampers, bid on the *Day on the Harbour* and generously supported Ecole by donating cakes, slices and biscuits and their time. A weekend like Open Day cannot happen without the students, parents and family members that help. We are in the process of installing the sound system that we have purchased from funds raised on Open Day.

Our Open Day 2022 page contains a short video of the day as well as photos and a list of all of our lucky winners from the day. Please take a moment to have a look, <u>www.ecole.com.au/open-day-2022</u>



Keep your dance and exercise interest fresh

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

KX Pilates Lindfield Partnership

Ecole has proudly partnered with KX Pilates Lindfield (Balfour Lane, opposite where Coles used to be) to offer Ecole Families and KX Pilates students discount benefits.

Ecole Families are entitled to two complimentary Pilates classes at KX Pilates as well as 10% off a full priced Pilates class pack. Please email <u>lindfield@kx.com.au</u> to find out more.

Australian Ballet Storytime

Storytime at the Opera House is back. Between 21 to 27 December, the Australian Ballet will be performing David McAllister's *The Sleeping Beauty*. Experience the world's most famous ballet live on stage in an exciting and interactive production created especially for children aged three and up. Tickets can be purchased via <u>https://australianballet.com.au/whats-on</u> and select *Storytime Ballet: The Sleeping Beauty*.

The Ballet Society, New South Wales

Friends of the Australian Ballet are now known as The Ballet Society, New South Wales.

One of our generous donators to our Open Day Hampers, was The Ballet Society of NSW. They generously donated several Memberships and t-shirts. Detailed below is information on how everyone can sign up to be one of their Members and what it entails.

The Ballet Society, New South Wales Members receive discounted tickets to The Australian Ballet's final dress rehearsals, exclusive invites to various ballet events, endless digital content, and a connection with a community of dance enthusiasts across NSW.

For more from The Ballet Society, New South Wales, you can sign up to their free monthly newsletter here, <u>www.theballetsociety.org.au</u>