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Term 1 is well underway with classes working well.

Welcome to all new students & parents – we hope you enjoy being part of our “Dance Family”.

Like us on Facebook & keep up to date with news, cancellations, photos & helpful hints.

**NEW CLASSES:** Our new classes are continuing to go down a treat. Our new adults class **Dance Groove** on Sundays is a lot of fun with class members bringing new friends each week. Dancing to exercise, with the odd laugh thrown in, is such a treat. **Discovering Repertoire** has something for everyone in the senior school & both the students & teachers are loving it. **Musical Theatre** has restarted this year & is apparently “so much fun” & **PBT Extension** is continuing to be very beneficial to senior students for core stability & strength.

**NEWSNIPPETS-** I have been adding videos & little biographies of famous dancers to our FB page each day to help broaden the dance knowledge of our dancers. It has also been interesting for me, although I tend to spend far too long watching You Tube deciding on which video to post!

Kate Avery has left to take up her internship in Vienna, we will miss her dearly & wish her well.

**VIEWING CLASSES –** Sadly some people think that the **NO TALKING** rule doesn't apply to them while watching classes. Hopefully you won't be too embarrassed when we ask you to leave the room. 😊

<b>CAR PARK</b>	<b>Cars should enter the car park from the Musselburgh Rise end &amp; exit via the harbour end.</b> Please keep the double gates near the harbour end clear – this is a private residence so let's not annoy the neighbours.
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**RAD SYLLABUS DVD-** Last year many of you bought grade 1-5 dvd's...bring into the studio if you want me to sell them on to for you.people are keen to buy them. At present I have 2 2<sup>nd</sup> hand grade 1 {\$15}, 2 new grade 2 {\$20} 1 2<sup>nd</sup> hand g2{\$15}, 2 2<sup>nd</sup> hand g 3 {\$15}, 3x new g4 & 3 new g5 {\$30} 1 x 2<sup>nd</sup> hand g4 [ \$22] & 2 2<sup>nd</sup> hand G5 {\$22}

**NEW CANVAS BALLET SHOES-** We have these for sale at the studio. \$12. These are not suitable for exams but great for class especially if your child is likely to grow before September exams. They are also washable, therefore perfect for our junior classes.

**NEW PINK BALLET TIGHTS-** we have a supply of these for sale at the studio. [In studio 1]

**BALLET SHOES BAGS –** Some of these are still available see your teacher & pictures on the noticeboard

**OTAGO ANNIVERSARY DAY –** Monday 26 March. Classes **will be** held on this day as it is close to end of Term.

**EASTER –** Friday 30 March -Monday 2 April. The studio will be closed on these days.

**ANZAC DAY –** Wednesday 25 April – **This falls in the school holidays ... I am still trying to work out how to deal with this for Jazz holiday classes.**

**TERM DATES –** **Term 1 –** Monday February 5–Sunday April 15 [incl] **Term 2 –** Monday April 30 – Sunday July 8 [incl] **Term 3 –** Monday July 23 – Sunday September 30 [incl] **Term 4 –** Mon Oct 15–Dec 8 [Concert Saturday 8 Dec]

**EXAM HOLIDAY CLASSES –** I consider these a very important time for students, a lot of work is covered over the four days and a huge improvement is made. Attendance is an essential part of the exam preparation **TRY to plan holidays around this so that your child is not disadvantaged**

Modern exam holiday classes – Tues 24- Fri April 27 [Grade 1–Solo Seal] **NB there may be changes due to Anzac day**

RAD ballet exam holiday classes– Tues 17 – Fri 20 July [Primary and above] Vocationals will prob start Mon 16 July

Best wishes for a successful and enjoyable year during which we can all attain our goals & enjoy the process.

Robyn Sinclair. Principal.