

Welcome to all new and returning dancers and your families. This Important Information Handbook is loaded with essential information and will be useful both now and throughout the year.

Please save this somewhere easily located for quick reference.

We are always here to help and happy to answer any questions.

ABOUT DANCE UNLIMITED:

DANCE is a universal language and here at Dance Unlimited we embrace varied genres to support our students' strengths.

We are a proud dance studio with dedicated teachers who aim to inspire our students in a caring and professional environment. Dance in an exciting and rewarding experience. It can give your child the opportunity to discover the enjoyment of music and movement; learn self-confidence; creativity; pride; and a sense of achievement. Our classes are a nurturing environment where every student is allowed the opportunity to grow and shine.

We pride ourselves in training dancers who perform to the best of their abilities and can achieve at the highest level. We support those who wish to take the next step, making dance a career.

STUDIOS:

DU1 – 89 Fergusson Street, Feilding

DU2 – 49 Manchester Street, Feilding (Located behind Bayley's Real Estate, carpark accessible from Eyre Street)

*Some classes will possibly alternate between Studios, with the FCC also being used as an alternative venue at times – so please familiarise yourself with these three venues.

REGISTRATION:

- It is important that all students are registered by their parents. Whether returning or new please fill in the online registration form ensuring we have all your up-to-date information. If you are returning to dance you will need to log in to your account, for new dancers you will need to create an account.
- Please double check your email address and phone number are correct. Let us know if you would like to add a second email address.
- Please read the media release form (so we can show photos and videos of your amazing dancers)
- Please add any important medical information we may need.
- You will be able to see a list of classes available for your dancer. If you cannot find the class you are looking for, or need help choosing the right class, just send us an email.

COMMUNICATION

It is crucial that we can communicate effectively and easily with parents. We have two essential forms of communication.

EMAIL:

• Our primary source of communication is Email. Please ensure you use an address for your enrolment that you check frequently.

BAND:

- BAND is a form of communication we will use regularly. It is crucial that all parents are connected. The app can be downloaded on multiple devices so all parents and students have access.
- Teachers will use BAND to share moments from class. This a fantastic way for parents to keep up with their child's dancing and for the dancers to practise at home.

COMMUNICATION WITH TEACHERS:

- Please direct all queries to <u>danceunlimited2@xtra.co.nz</u> or by private messaging Steph on BAND, which can often result in a quicker response.
- Please do not contact our teachers directly.
- ABSENCES need to be reported prior to each class. Again, please private message Steph on BAND by selecting "Steph" and then "Chat"

CLASSES

At Dance Unlimited we offer the following classes

• Preschool Dance: Ages 3-4

Ballet: Ages 5+Jazz: Ages 5+Tap: Ages 7+HipHop: Ages 8+

• Contemporary: Ages 9+

UNIFORM AND GROOMING:

All students are required to wear the compulsory uniform and have their hair groomed correctly for each class. Information covering all aspects of our uniform and grooming requirements is available on our website. You can order online at www.danceunlimited.nz soon. We also have a BAND page for buying and selling preloved dancewear. Head to BAND and search 'DU UNIFORM'.

CLASS OBSERVERS:

If your child is new to dancing, we welcome a parent to come along and watch their first class to help them get settled. The last class of each month is reserved for parents to come and observe class.

FEES:

30min class: \$95 45min class: \$115 60min class: \$140 75min class: \$160

Other: TBA

- PAYMENT PLANS: Monthly, fortnightly and weekly options are available please enquire by contacting danceunlimited2@xtra.co.nz
- CAPPED FEE: These are capped at \$870 per term for the 'dedicated dancer' whose fees reach the capped level
- MULTI CLASS DISCOUNT: For families/students who have multiple classes, the highest priced class is charged in full, and all subsequent classes receive a 10% discount
- ADMIN FEE: A termly admin fee of \$5 per family is added to your term account
- MISCELLANEOUS: Throughout the year other fees may be applied to your account. These may include, but are not limited to Exam Fees, Costume Fees, Coaching Classes, Competition Crew Fees etc for the dancers involved.

TERM DATES

Term 1: Monday 3 February – Friday 11 April – Classes running as timetabled on Waitangi Day

Term 2: Monday 28 April – Friday 27 June

Term 3: Monday 14 July – Friday 19 September

Term 4: Monday 6 October - TBC

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Several classes are affected by public holidays. We will be in touch prior to each public holiday with any changes to your class schedule on these days.

CODE OF CONDUCT

Dance Unlimited is not responsible for students before or after their class. Please ensure you have made appropriate arrangements for drop off and pick up of your dancer. In the event you are running late for pick up please contact us as soon as possible so we can ensure your dancer is safe.

Personal belongs remain the responsibility of the dancers. Dance Unlimited holds no liability for any items stolen or misplaced at the studios. Please avoid bringing valuable items to class.

Dance Unlimited has ultimate license over and recording and photography. Consent must be obtained before any media is shared.

Looking forward to another fantastic year of dance! The Dance Unlimited Team