



11 October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Extra-curricular Dance 2023 – Junior School

Canterbury has a rich and thriving extra-curricular dance program on offer to students. This letter outlines the dance opportunities for students in Canterbury's Junior School in 2023. Information about each ensemble and related auditions is detailed on the following pages, including costs and requirements.

Dance Uniforms

Uniform, jazz shoe and stocking orders for 2023 will open on Friday 4 November and close on Friday 11 November 2022 in order for us to receive our shipment in a timely manner. The link to the order form will be sent via email.

Expectations and Requirements of Dancers and Families

Participation in Canterbury Dance requires a full-year commitment; dancers are expected to maintain a 90% attendance rate at classes and rehearsals as well as attend all performances and competitions. Students must wear their full correct uniform (including listed footwear), as outlined in the uniform guide, to all classes and performances. Hair must always be neatly tied back as per the College hair policy. For the safety of all dancers and staff, high behaviour expectations, as per the College behaviour policy, exist for all lessons.

Please [click here](#) to fill out the form if you wish for your child to be considered for Canterbury Dance in 2023. This form will close for **auditioned** teams at 8:00pm on Friday 21 October and will remain open until 8:00pm Friday 25 November for students enrolling in non-auditioned teams. ELC/Prep Little Groovers and new students will also be able to enrol in January for 2023.

Audition Schedule

Friday 21/10 8:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Entries close for auditions
Thursday - Friday 27/10 and 28/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Auditions held
Friday 4/11 8:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Audition results released via email• Dance uniform, jazz shoe and stocking purchases open
Friday 11/11 8:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Last date to accept places in auditioned groups• Uniform, jazz shoe and stocking orders close
4/11 – 11/11 (TBA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Costume measurement sessions for auditioned ensembles.
Friday 25/11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Online forms close for non-auditioned teams (except ELC-Prep)

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Cathy Brown on ca.brown@canterbury.qld.edu.au

Kind regards

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Junior School Dance Ensembles

ELC (Early Learning Centre) and Prep: Little Groovers Dance Class is a non-auditioned dance class providing an opportunity for students in ELC and Prep to participate in dancing for enjoyment with the College. The goal of this team is to build a love of music, dance, and movement in a safe and fun environment.

Years 1-2: Rise Dance Class is a non-auditioned dance class providing an opportunity for students in Years 1-2 to participate in dancing for enjoyment with the College. The goal of this group is to develop musicality, coordination, confidence, and stage presence whilst learning skills in the jazz dance style. Students will perform at school events throughout the year.

Years 1-6: Boyzone is a non-auditioned dance class taught with a focus on boys' dance choreography and general enjoyment of dancing. We welcome boys at any level of experience and ability into this ensemble (class TBC once minimum numbers are reached).

Years 1-3: Shine Dance Company is an auditioned dance team providing an opportunity for students in Years 1-3 to participate in competitive dancing with the College. The goal of this team is to build on existing skills in musicality, coordination, confidence, and stage presence whilst developing skills in the jazz and lyrical dance style. Students will compete in eisteddfods and perform at school events throughout the year.

Years 3-6: Flame Dance Class is a non-auditioned dance class providing an opportunity for students in Years 3-6 to participate in dancing for enjoyment with the College. The goal of this group is to develop musicality, coordination, confidence, and stage presence whilst learning skills in the jazz dance style. Students will perform at school events throughout the year.

Years 4-6: Ignite Dance Company is an auditioned dance team providing an opportunity for students in Years 4-6 to participate in competitive dancing with the College. The goal of this team is to build on existing skills in musicality, coordination, confidence, and stage presence whilst developing skills in the jazz and lyrical dance style. Students will compete in eisteddfods and perform at school events throughout the year.

Years 4-6: Blaze Crew is an auditioned dance team providing an opportunity for students in Years 4-6 to participate in competitive dancing with the College. The goal of this team is to build on skills in the hip hop style. Students will compete in eisteddfods and perform at school events throughout the year. Students in the Blaze Crew are permitted to also participate in either Flame Dance Class or Ignite Dance Company if they wish.

Junior Dance – Group Information

	Little Groovers	Rise Dance Class	Boyzone (TBC)	Shine Dance Company	Flame Dance Class	Ignite Dance Company	Blaze Crew
Ages	ELC-Prep	Years 1-2	Years 1-6	Years 1-3	Years 3-6	Years 4-6	Years 4-6
Entry	Online form	Online form	Online Form	Audition	Online form	Audition	Audition
Entries close	January 2023	25 November 2022	25 November 2022	Friday 21 October 2022	25 November 2022	Friday 21 October 2022	Friday 21 October 2022
Audition	Nil	Nil	Nil	Thursday 27 October	Nil	Friday 28 October	Friday 28 October
Ensemble Fee	\$200 / year	\$200 / year	\$200 / year	\$250 / year	\$200 / year	\$250 / year	\$200 / year
Class times	Friday Prep: 3:30-4:00pm ELC: 4.00 – 4.30pm	Thursday 7.00 – 8.00am	Monday 3.30 – 4.30 (TBC)	Thursday 3:30-5:30pm	Friday 7.00 – 8.00am	Friday 3:30-5:30pm	Wednesday 7:00-8:00am
Expected performances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possible school assemblies/events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School assemblies Dance Spectacular 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School assemblies Dance Spectacular 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eisteddfods Dance Spectacular 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School assemblies Dance Spectacular 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eisteddfods Dance Spectacular 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eisteddfods Dance Spectacular
Uniform requirements (order before Nov 11)	Regular school uniform	Regular school uniform	Regular school uniform OR Canterbury Sport Uniform White sneakers	Canterbury Dance uniform White sneakers	Canterbury Dance uniform OR Canterbury Sport uniform	Canterbury Dance uniform White sneakers	Canterbury Dance uniform White sneakers
Additional items required	Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Black, elastic-sided jazz shoes Tan dance stockings (convertible) Hair supplies 	Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Black, elastic-sided jazz shoes Tan dance stockings (convertible) Hair supplies Stage makeup (girls only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Black, elastic-sided jazz shoes Tan dance stockings (convertible) Hair supplies Stage makeup (girls only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Black, elastic-sided jazz shoes Tan dance stockings (convertible) Hair supplies Stage makeup (girls only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hair supplies Stage makeup (girls only)