



TERM 1

January 2026

Dear Parents and Students

Welcome to 2026, our 50th year of dancing at Broadbent Dance Academy. We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year and we are looking forward to a successful and enjoyable 2026.

Please take note of the information and dates in the newsletter each term and also the website which will be updated regularly.

We are looking forward to working hard with the students in 2025 and are excited for the year ahead. If you have any questions regarding any information, please do not hesitate to contact Marnie on 0411 024 438.

Many thanks

Marnie Armstrong & Teaching Staff

Term 1	Monday 2 nd February – Thursday 2 nd April
Term 2	Monday 20 th April – Saturday 27 th June
Term 3	Monday 13 th July – Saturday 19 th September
Term 4	Monday 5 th October – Tuesday 8 th December

PLEASE NOTE THAT NO CLASSES WILL BE HELD ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS THAT FALL WITHIN THESE DATES

TERM FEES

Accounts will be issued at the commencement of each term. Prices are discounted due to the fact you are paying by the term. If you would like to pay per class due to a holiday or absence, lessons are charged at \$25 per hour class.

SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR EACH TERM ARE INCLUSIVE OF GST

This payment schedule is based on hours of dancing. Troupe lessons will be included in these hours per week.

All prices are per term			
¾ hour - \$140	3 hours - \$410	5 ¼ hours - \$665	7 ½ hours - \$880
1 hour - \$170	3 ¼ hours - \$440	5 ½ hours - \$690	7 ¾ hours - \$900
1 ¼ hours - \$200	3 ½ hours - \$470	5 ¾ hours - \$715	8 hours - \$920
1 ½ hours - \$230	3 ¾ hours - \$500	6 hours - \$740	8 ¼ hours - \$940
1 ¾ hours - \$260	4 hours - \$530	6 ¼ hours - \$765	8 ½ hours - \$960
2 hours - \$290	4 ¼ hours - \$560	6 ½ hours - \$790	8 ¾ hours - \$980
2 ¼ hours - \$320	4 ½ hours - \$590	6 ¾ hours - \$815	9 hours & over - \$1000
2 ½ hours - \$350	4 ¾ hours - \$610	7 hours - \$840	
2 ¾ hours - \$380	5 hours - \$640	7 ¼ hours - \$860	

There is an Enrolment/Insurance Fee of \$30.00 for the year which is payable with the **1st Term Fees**. This covers enrolment, insurance, administration and a 50th Year T-shirt. Fees must be paid by the due date on the invoice. Fees received after the due date will incur a \$10.00 Late/Administration Fee, unless payment plan has been organised. Payment in cash, transfer (details below) or credit card (facilities available at reception).

INTERNET BANKING DETAILS - PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR SURNAME AS THE REFERENCE

Account Name: Broadbent Dance Academy

BSB Number: 083 – 299

Account Number: 57 – 858 – 4989

EXAMINATIONS

Tuesday 23rd June - Friday 26th June

Please note that exams are not compulsory but will be held during the day in the final week of Term 2, so classes will not be held from Tuesday during exam week.

As Monday 10th June is a public Holiday (due to King's Birthday) the Monday classes will be held 22nd June.

CLASS UNIFORM & EXAM ATTIRE

All dancers are to wear leotards, for ballet, jazz and tap classes, the colour is optional. Hair should be worn in a bun for ballet class from Bronze Medal and above. Exam attire for each genre is on the website.

School t-shirts for hip hop and performance teams are organised in Term 1, and other apparel is being organised, and will be available asap.

We also have jackets and bags which can be ordered in Term 1 as a bulk order - an email will be sent out regarding sizing and prices.

Our bbdance jazz shorts can be purchased from reception.

Basic class uniforms (no Broadbent branding) can be purchased at either Studio 7 (6 Walter Street, Moorabbin) Energetiks (Shop 3, 444 Warrigal Road, Moorabbin), Bloch Dancewear (Chadstone), or Stretchmates (South Road, Moorabbin). Photos are available on the [Broadbent Dance Academy Website](#)

SECOND HAND SHOES

Second Hand Shoes are available for purchase, please place old shoes in the box in Studio 3 clearly labelled.

PLEASE RETURN MONEY IN AN ENVELOPE - CLEARLY LABELLED WITH THE PREVIOUS OWNER'S NAME

Ballet	Jazz	Tap
\$20.00	\$25.00	\$30.00

CONCERT VENUES & DATES

Principal Concert – Alexander Theatre, Monash University, Clayton (new facilities)

1 st Performance	Saturday 5 th December 1.00pm
2 nd Performance	Saturday 5 th December – 6.30pm
Full Dress Rehearsal (at The Alexander Theatre)	Thursday 3 rd December 2.00 – 7.00pm
Break-up Party (at Broadbent Studio)	Tuesday 8 th December 4.30 – 6.00pm

Junior Concert – Carwatha Secondary College, Browns Road, Noble Park

1 st Performance	Sunday 22 nd November – 9.45am
2 nd Performance	Sunday 22 nd November - 11.30am
Pre-school Break-up Party (at Broadbent Studio)	Saturday 29 th November 1.30pm – 2.30pm

This Concert is for the preschool classes, musical theatre, tap students in combined classes and some Troupes.

Concert Package : There will be a Concert Package again this year. The Term 4 invoice will include a \$120 fee (\$100 per child for families with siblings and preschool dancers). This will include :

- Principal Concert video link (sent to every dancer)
- Junior Concert video link (sent to every dancer)
- Professional Photo Shoot Day (individual and group photo for every class) – a professional photo shoot with the backdrops, equipment, professional photographer would normally have a large fee before purchasing any photos
- Alexander Theatre Rehearsal Day (not preschool students) – full day of rehearsals at the theatre with all teachers
- Break Up Days (preschool and main school) – certificates presented, food and activities for all dancers
- Junior Concert Day (preschool dancers, junior combined classes dancers, competition team dancers, musical theatre dancers, soloists) - teachers assisting and preparing dancers for their performances
- Junior Concert Digital Program (sent to every dancer : listing items, dancers names, and other achievements and information from 2025)
- Principal Concert Day (all dancers except preschool) - teachers assisting and preparing dancers for their performances
- Principal Concert Digital Program (sent to every dancer : listing items, dancers names, exam results, competition results, and other achievements and information from 2024)
- Bbdance Gift (for every dancer)
- Bbdance Lanyard (all new students for 2025)

PERFORMANCE TEAMS (COMPETITIONS / TROUPES)

Our Performance Teams are currently being organised and we will have troupes in 8/U, 10/U, 12/U, 16/U and Open Age (competitions are average age again this year). The competitions are a great learning experience for the students both for their dancing and for their confidence. We will rehearse at the times below :

AGE GROUPS AS AT 1st JANUARY 2026

Mondays – Open Age	➤ Contemporary & Jazz (6.15-7.30pm), Hip Hop (7.30-8.15pm)
Fridays – 10/U & 12/U	➤ 12/U : Tap (5.15pm), Lyrical (5.45pm), Jazz (6.15pm), Hip Hop (7-7.30pm) ➤ 10/U : Hip Hop (4.45-5.15pm)

Saturdays – 8/U	➤ Jazz & Neo & Musical Theatre (10.30am-12.30pm)
Saturdays – 16/U	➤ Jazz & Contemporary (12.30-2.30pm) - Warm Up, Strength, Technique, & Troupes

Rehearsals will commence as of Monday 2nd February.

Competition dates are below : there were a lot of clashes with other events this year, so quite challenging to finalise dates. We have split the comps as the Spotlight comp is not average age and we didn't want our younger teams dancing up age groups. We are still finalising the comp on the 9th August but will confirm asap.

Sunday 14th June ATOD Troupe Day : Carwatha College	Sunday 26th July Spotlight : 16/U & Open Age Troupes only Sunday 30th August Starstruck : 8/U, 10/U, 12/U only	Sunday 9th August Regional Comp (TBC)	Sunday 23rd August MBS Troupe Day : Carwatha College
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SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR TROUPES

Troupe lessons will be included in the Term Fees invoice added to the amount of hours attending per week. Costume hire and competition fees will be invoiced separately either late Term 1 or early Term 2. Costumes will be hired at \$50 per costume for the year. Comp fees will be finalised once each competition releases their fee structure.

All Troupes will be performed in either the Principal Concert or the Junior Concert at the end of the year.

2026 SOLO COMPETITIONS

Many competitions run throughout the year – check [Stardom.com.au](https://stardom.com.au) or [Comps-online](https://comps-online.com) to enter as well as dance competition websites. ATOD comp day and Championships are entered through our school – you enter all other comps.

Competition students may wish to enter are: Stage Attack, Energy, Spotlight, Phoenix, Time to Shine, Follow Your Dreams, Jump, Get The Beat, Southern and Casey.

- Dancers are encouraged to enter their solo into other competitions that they may find.
- Solo dancers are to submit their own competition entries for each competition they wish to compete in, please contact me throughout the year if you do not receive any entry forms. You are also free to check with me if you require further details or have any questions or concerns.

SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR PRIVATE LESSONS CASH TO BE PAID TO THE TEACHER AT THE TIME OF THE CLASS

½ Hr Lesson	\$35.00
1 Hr Lesson	\$70.00

2026 ATOD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dancers have to qualify for the ATOD State and National Championships. Three levels of exams need to have been passed with Highly Commended or above. Each age group has specific exam levels to pass to qualify.

Reminder of rules :

- Age groups are from 1st January
- All genres same age group
- Only one dance per section
- Genre : Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop, Contemporary
- Age groups : Mini Dancer (9/U), Sub-Junior (11/U), Junior (13/U), Intermediate (15/U), Senior (21/U) – as of the 1st January 2026

Students needing to do exams in April to qualify will be notified. Please don't hesitate to ask if you have any questions.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS MAY			NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS JULY – Melbourne
Friday 29th May Classes	Saturday 30th May Student Performances	Sunday 31st May Student Performances	Thursday 30th July – Sunday 2nd August Classes and Performances

PERFORMANCE CONCERT

Carwatha Secondary College, Browns Road Noble Park

Saturday 16th May – 2.00pm

The Performance Concert will involve Championship Solos and Troupes. Once again it is an informal fun day to give students stage experience. More information will be provided closer to the date.

50th YEAR CELEBRATIONS

As you all know it's the 50th year since our school began in 1976! An amazing milestone that we are excited to celebrate throughout the year. All dancers will receive a 50th Year T-shirt as part of their enrolment for 2026. There will be certain times where they are required to wear this, as well wearing it whenever they like.

Please save the following dates for special events, and more information will follow closer to the time :

Saturday 28th March – Cocktail Party for parents/teachers, senior and past students

Saturday 5th September – Gala night (performance teams will perform at this event)

GOOGLE SITES

We are in the process of setting up google docs for easier access to information. You will receive a link to access these sites to see information for dates, exams, competitions etc. More information will follow asap.

WEBSITE / EMAIL

The school website is www.bbdance.com.au and the email is marnie@bbdance.com.au.

We are introducing a new email for our preschool program. Any correspondence relating to preschool will be able to be communicated through : preschool@bbdance.com.au

This email will be in use from Monday 2nd February.

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