



2026

STUDENT AND PARENT HANDBOOK

WWW.MDS4DANCE.COM

This handbook has been developed to answer many of the Frequently Asked Questions about our studio. Please take the time to read each section carefully and keep on hand for quick reference throughout the dance year.



## Where to Find Us

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The first step to becoming a successful dancer is making a solid commitment to your classes. Strong technique is a key ingredient and class is where you develop that technique. Come to each class prepared to learn and without personal distractions.

Class time is your chance to focus on yourself, so try to leave your concerns or worries at the studio door. True progress is made when you look at each class as an opportunity to become better at what you love to do. Dance full-out, stretch a little farther, become more aware of your technique, and make the most of every class.

Our studio is a safe place for you to be yourself.

Respect for the teachers is essential. Listen to each correction given, whether it's directed at you or another dancer. A correction is an honour; it shows you how much a teacher cares about your progress.

Nothing can stop those students who apply themselves in every class and appreciate their teachers' knowledge and experience.

# A Message for Parents

We believe that children's success depends on the support of their parents or guardians. Our programs rely on a positive atmosphere and educational experience for our students and their parents. Cooperation between all parents is expected.

Showing respect—for other parents, the students, and our staff — makes an important impression on the children. You are a role model for your child on how to interact with others in a professional setting.

Some parents may compare their child's progress or class placement to another child's. Watch for this behaviour in your children as well and encourage them to focus instead on their own accomplishments. Looking to other students for inspiration is good; however, making negative comparisons distracts children from focusing on becoming stronger dancers.

Your child's attendance at all classes is imperative. The spirit of teamwork and the lesson of dedication are a big part of our studio's education process.

Parents and teachers may look at a child's learning from different perspectives. However, we believe they share a common goal: to ensure that every child receives the best possible training, both physically and mentally. Mutual respect among our staff and our students' parents provides the children with the ultimate care and education.

# Our Philosophy

With a focus on fun, technique, versatility and excellence, Melissa's Dance Studio and our team of qualified staff are committed to creating a safe and nurturing environment where students are encouraged to work hard and develop a love of the performing arts.

We believe that dance training encourages young people to develop a positive self-image. Along with improving coordination skills and developing muscular awareness, dance classes give children the freedom to express themselves through movement whilst learning valuable lessons about respect, commitment, discipline and team work.

The highest educational standards are expected from all MDS staff members. They are lifelong learners who continue to educate themselves through certification programs, teacher-training schools, conferences, online courses and other learning opportunities.

At MDS, our classes are designed to stimulate the enjoyment of dance while laying an important foundation for further training. As the student advances, the variety and intensity of the class work increases. Optional exams in ballet, tap and jazz give students markers of their progress and can lead to internationally-recognised qualifications.

Don't forget to follow us on our socials





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## Meet our Director MELISSA BROWN



In 2001, Melissa embarked on an exciting journey by starting her own dance studio, MDS. Fuelled by her passion for teaching, she began with a small group of 80 students who shared her love for dance. Little did she know that her dedication and unique teaching style would quickly make MDS a hotspot for aspiring dancers in Griffith

Within just two years, MDS saw tremendous growth, with the number of students soaring to an impressive 200. It was evident that Melissa's approach to teaching brought a breath of fresh air to the local dance community. Her commitment to staying ahead of the game led her to pursue further education, obtaining a Cert IV in Dance Teaching and Management at the Australian Dance Institute.

> Melissa's students have gone on to dance at RAW Dance Company, Brisbane and Brent St studios in Sydney.

As a member of the Australian Teachers of Dancing (ATOD), Melissa's students have thrived in competitions and exams, showcasing the exceptional training they receive at MDS. Many have even gone on to train with renowned dance companies like Raw Dance Company, Transit Dance Origins Program, and the prestigious Brent St. Moreover, Melissa takes great pride in the fact that her students have also pursued their passion by studying Cert IV Dance Teaching themselves, a testament to her effectiveness as an instructor.

One of Melissa's notable achievements is being the teacher of the popular preschool dance program Ready Set Dance. Her outstanding dedication and teaching expertise led to MDS winning the Studio Growth award in 2019 and the Magical Moments award in 2023. In 2024, Melissa was a finalist in Teacher of the Year, and the studio was a finalist in the Regional Studio of the Year as well as a finalist in the Community Excellence Award.

Melissa has been deeply involved in charity and community work. By organising and participating in local charity events such as Dancing With Our Stars and Dance for Cancer, Melissa and her students, together with other community members over the years, have raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for the local community.

However, what truly sets Melissa apart is her commitment to creating a strong sense of community and family within MDS. She firmly believes that every child should have the chance to dance and grow. At MDS, children are provided with a safe and nurturing environment in which they can learn, express themselves, and develop their dance skills.

At the Barre Griffith is yet another passion Melissa has brought to life, bringing the first Barre Pilates studio to Griffith. With the success of these adult fitness classes, Melissa has embarked on furthering her education in the Pilates field, and is a fully qualified Pilates instructor.

Melissa's journey with MDS is an inspiring one. Her passion for teaching, dedication to her own education, and the sense of community she has fostered at her dance studio have undoubtedly set her apart within the Griffith dance industry over the last 25 years. With Melissa at the helm, MDS continues to provide aspiring dancers with the opportunity to flourish and shine.

## Our Facilities

- Three spacious fully equipped studios
- Training equipment
- Air-conditioned & heated studios
- Onsite dance wear shop
- Reception & comfortable waiting area for parents and students
- Kitchenette
- Bathrooms
- Fully lit carpark



## Our Staff

The teaching staff at MDS is chosen with great care. Our staff strives to give each student the individual attention and instruction he or she needs to reach their potential.

Each of our teachers brings a unique perspective, personality and skill set to the classroom environment. Students benefit from these differing approaches as they are exposed to a variety of teaching methods.



## Communications

We are big on communication at MDS and it is our aim to respond to all enquiries in a timely manner.

You can contact us during our office hours

(M-F 8:30am-3:30pm) on 0407 408 434. If you would like to make contact outside of these times (including during class times), please use text or email: enquire@mds4dance.com

For convenience, our primary means of communication is via email. You will receive regular newsletters and important information via email so please ensure you have provided us with an up-to-date email address that is in use. Please also add melissa@thinksmartmail.com to your address book to ensure the emails don't go to your junk folder.

We are of course happy to include multiple email addresses per family if you would like your correspondence sent to numerous recipients.

# Registration

Registration is on a first come, first served basis. All registrations are processed in the order received. Class size limitations will be strictly observed and we do not hold spots in any class if you don't make payment of your registration fee.

It's important that all students and/or parents – whether returning or new - register online so we can ensure we have the most up-to-date contact details for you.

This information includes contact details, illnesses and injuries and acknowledgement of studio policies. These are available at www.mds4dance.com

A \$25 registration fee per child is payable via direct deposit. This covers admin fees & insurance.



# Important Dates

## **TERM DATES 2026**

TERM 1 FIRST DAY: MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY

LAST DAY: THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL

TERM 2 FIRST DAY: MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

LAST DAY: SATURDAY 4TH JULY

TERM 3 FIRST DAY: MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY

LAST DAY: SATURDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

TERM 4 FIRST DAY: MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

LAST DAY: FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

## **PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

Classes are not held on Public Holidays

## **HOLIDAY CLASSES**

Classes held in school holidays include Competition Team classes,
Ballet Exam classes and catch ups for any classes that were
cancelled throughout the term. You will be notified approx two
weeks before holidays of the schedule.

## **2026 CONCERTS**

PRESCHOOL CONCERT: Saturday 21st November (TBC) Matinee MAINSTREAM CONCERT: Saturday 28th November (TBC) Matinee & Evening.

All of our students have the opportunity to perform on stage in our end-of-year concert. It is assumed all students are taking part in this performance unless otherwise advised. More information about the concert is available further on in this handbook.

# Class Descriptions

CLASSICAL BALLET	A technical and disciplined style of dance providing the basics of correct posture, co-ordination and strength. MDS follows the Australian Teachers of Dancing system of training. Exams are available by invitation.
JAZZ	Jazz can encompass everything from Broadway-style choreography to up-to-date commercial styles. A fun class and a great option for dancers of all ages. This is our recommendation for students new to dance.
ТАР	Classes focus on technique as well as musicality, rhythm and style. Students learn the latest tap techniques in a fun class.
LYRICAL	A wide-ranging style that can encompass lyrical's soft flowing movements that tell a story through to the sharp and strong motions of contemporary. This is often a popular choice of class for those who want to add a second or third class but don't want to take ballet.
HIP HOP	One of our most popular class styles, hip hop is a modern street style that is fun and fast paced.
ACROBATICS	Designed to help students achieve strength, flexibility and acrobatic skills. Students will learn elements such as cartwheels, handstands, walkovers and balance skills.
MINI COMBO	A class designed specifically for our students starting Kindy at 'Big School' in 2026. This class is 60 minutes in length and encompasses both jazz and tap. Other Mini classes include ballet, hip hop & lyrical, perfectly timed in half hour classes.



# Dance Classes for Preschoolers



Ready Set Dance is the most popular preschool activity across Australia, and MDS is proud to be your official location. It is endorsed by early learning experts with classes for 2-3 year olds & 4-5 year olds. These classes a combination of jazz, tap, singing and movement, working on the 3C's: Confidence, Co-Ordination and Creativity. We are now offering a level 3 class, for those attending school the following year, however dancers in that age group are welcome to continue with level 2.



Ready Set Ballet is a thirty minute magical ballet class for your preschooler. This classes uses gender neutral music with cues, props to enhance the learning experience and encourages children to use their imagination.



A preschool acrobatic program designed with industry leader Acrobatic Arts. An emphasis is placed on safe and effective progressions to build strength, flexibility and skills.



A music and movement class for toddlers and their grownup. Engage, Explore and Express with your toddler in a 45 minute class full of fun and learning. This class is perfect for tiny dancers who aren't confident enough to take part without their trusted adult. (This class does not take part in our concerts)



# Class Placement & Ages

We feel it is important that children dance in the same age group as their friends and that they continue to progress together. This gives the student a sense of familiarity and keeps dance fun for them. For this reason we classify our age groups by the year of school the children are in:

Ready Set Move - 18 months-3 years
Ready Set Ballet - 2-5 years
Ready Set Acro - 2-5 years
Ready Set Dance Level 1 - 2-3 years

Ready Set Dance Level 2 - 4-5 years, those who are attending school in 2027 or 2028.

Ready Set Dance Level 3 - 5 years, or those attending Kindergarten in 2027

(children are able to do level 2 where the level 3 times don't suit)

Mini - Children in Kindergarten & Year 1

Junior - Children in Years 3 & 4

Intermediate/Snr - Children in Years 5, 6 & High School

In some cases, students may be placed in classes outside their age group. Decisions about class placement are based on the best interests of the student and the Director's decision is final. We do not feel a child should be placed in a particular group or class where we it may have negative effect on self-esteem. Some students who are placed in a level higher than their ability can become discouraged, only to lose their passion for dance. Others respond to the challenge of being in a class with students who are more proficient by pushing themselves to work harder. We closely monitor all of our students as they progress throughout the year.

Please note timetable is subject to change dependent on class numbers.

OUR 2026 CLASS SCHEDULE IS AVAILABLE TO VIEW
ANYTIME AT
www.mds4dance.com

## Ready Set Dance, Ready Set Ballet, Ready Set Acro and Ready Set Move

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DAY	TODDLER	PRESCHOOL 2-3 YEARS	PRESCHOOL 4-5 YEARS
Monday	Ready Set Move with Me 9:00-9:45am	Ready Set Ballet 9.30- 10:00am Ready Set Dance 10:00-10:45am Ready Set Acro 11:00-11:45am	Ready Set Ballet 9:30- 10:00am Ready Set Dance 10:00-11:00am Ready Set Acro 11:00-11:45am Ready Set Dance Ready Set Dance Level 3 11:15am-12:15pm Ready Set Ballet 3:30-4:00pm Ready Set Dance 4:00-5:00pm
Tuesday		Ready Set Ballet 9:00-9:30am Ready Set Dance 9:30-10:15am Ready Set Acro 3:30-4:00pm	Ready Set Acro 3:30-4:00pm
Wednesday			Ready Set Ballet 3:30-4:00pm Ready Set Dance 4:00-5:00pm
Thursday			Ready Set Ballet 3:30-4:00pm Ready Set Dance 4:00-5:00pm
Saturday		Ready Set Ballet 9:00-9:30am Ready Set Dance 9:30-10:30am Ready Set Acro 10:30-11:15am	Ready Set Ballet 9:00-9:30am Ready Set Dance 9:30-10:30am Ready Set Acro 10:30-11:15am Ready Set Dance Level 3 11:15am-12:15pm

## Mini, Junior, Intermediate & Senior

DAY	MINIS	JUNIOR	INTERMEDIATE	SENIOR
Monday	Combo 3:45-4:45pm Hip Hop 5:00-5:30pm	Lyrical 4:45-5:30pm Junior Jazz 5:30-6:15pm Junior Tap 6:15-6:45pm		
Tuesday	Acro 4:00-4:30pm Ballet 4:30-5:00pm Lyrical 5:00-5:30pm	Acro 4:30-5:30pm	Acro 4:30-5:30pm Silver Star Ballet 5:00-5:45pm	Acro 4:30-5:30pm Silver Star Ballet 5:00-5:45pm
Wednesday		Hip Hop 3:45-4:30pm Silver Medal Ballet 4:45-5:30pm	Hip Hop 4:30-5:15pm Lyrical 5:15-6:00pm Jazz 6:00-6:45pm Tap 6:45-7:15pm	Hip Hop 4:30-5:15pm Lyrical 5:15-6:00pm Jazz 6:00-6:45pm Tap 6:45-7:15pm
Thursday	Reserved for solos and troupes			
Friday	Studio Closed			
Saturday	Reserved for Ready Set Dance students			

## Annual Concert

Our annual concerts are the culmination of each year and gives all students the opportunity to perform on stage in a professionally-equipped theatre. We hold two separate concerts - one for our preschoolers and two for our Mainstream students.

Our 2026 Preschool Concert will be held at the Griffith Regional Theatre in around the thrid weekend of November (TBC) Our Mainstream Concert will be the last Saturday in November, with two shows on the one day.

There are necessary costs involved in the production such as costume fees and concert pack. These are advised in a timely manner.



MDS is reknowned for putting on a professional production each year. It is always a fun and stress free experience for all involved.

Our timeline of our concert preparation is as follows:

Term 2: Students commence learning their concert routines

Mid-End Term 2: Costume Deposit invoices are sent out and direct debits will be drawn on 1st July. This deposit is non refundable, however you will be given ample notice to opt in or out of the concert.

Mid Term 3: Remaining costume costs are invoiced and date set for direct debits to be withdrawn.

Term 4 Commencement: You will receive your concert guide which includes details of ticket sales, rehearsal and concert performances.

## Costumes

At MDS we believe your costume is just as important as your performance!

As such, we take great pride and care in selecting costumes that are not only appropriate for the routine but also ones that will stand out on stage and are flattering and age-appropriate for our students.

We source our costumes from a number of manufacturers both locally and overseas and don't believe it's in anyone's interest to scrimp on quality. We endeavour to keep our costume costs down, however costs do fluctuate from year to year due to influences beyond our control such as shipping, postage and handling.

The only other thing left to purchase for your costumes is stockings, which will be advised with plenty of notice for you to purchase through our dance wear store online.

## Fees Schedule

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CLASS LENGTH	COST PER TERM	WEEKLY AMOUNT	
30 min class	\$150	\$15	
45 min class	\$170	\$17	
60 min class	\$180	\$18	
Ready Set Dance Level 1	\$170	\$17	
Ready Set Ballet	\$150	\$15	
Ready Set Dance Level 2	\$180	\$18	
Ready Set Acro	\$170	\$17	
Discount of 5% off total invoice amount for 2 classes per week, per child			
Discount of 10% off total invoice amount for 3 classes or more per week, per child			

# Fees Policy

This is a summary of our Fees Policy. Please read & agree to the full policy on our website (under the Policies tab) before registering.

- Fees are paid weekly via direct debit. We use the EziDebit payment system. You
  will receive a direct debit authorisation form upon enrolment. This is a non
  negotiable form of payment, and your enrolment is confirmed only upon
  acceptance of this payment method.
- 2. Fees will be deducted from your account every Monday. You will be charged any EziDebit fees for declined transactions due to insufficient funds.
- 3. To find your weekly amount, divide your term invoice by the number of weeks in the term. There are 10 weeks to terms 1, 2 & 3, and 7 weeks in Term 4.
- 4. Please note you will not be charged for public holidays. Your invoice will reflect this. You will still divide your invoice amount by 10 to get your weekly amount.
- 5. All classes are to be paid for whether attended or not for the entirety of the term. Please note that should you withdraw your enrolment past week two of the term, your fees are still payable for the duration of the term.
- 6. If you wish to pay at different intervals or on a different day of the week, please ensure that this is communicated to the director in writing prior to each term commencing.
- 7. Class absences are non refundable.
- 8. Classes cancelled due to teacher absence will be made up either on a Friday depending on the teachers availability, or at the end of each term in school holidays. Fees are forfeited if you cannot attend the make up classes.
- 9. There is a registration fee of \$25 per child on enrolment to cover administration & insurance. Enrolment is not confirmed until registration is paid.



# Uniform

It's important that ALL students are dressed accordingly for all classes.

This not only ensures students are able to move freely but is also a health and safety requirement. This includes the correct tights and shoes for each class.

You can purchase your shoes and uniform directly from our studio, either in studio or online on our website.

## Ready Set Dance & Ready Set Ballet

- RSD Dress
- White Frill Socks
- RSD Wrap Top (cooler months)
- Tan Stockings (cooler months)
- Hair Bows and/or any RSD hair accessory
- Tutu Skirt
- Blue T-shirt & Black Shorts
- Blue Basketball Singlet
- Tan Jazz Shoes (Ready Set Dance)
- Ballet shoes (Ready Set Ballet)
- Tan Tap Shoes (Ready Set Dance Level 2)





## Accessories

- Various RSD dance bags
- Drink Bottle
- Crew socks
- Leg Warmers
- Caps, hats & beanies
- Jibbitz
- RSD Tracksuit

## Ready Set Acro

- RSD Dress or
- RSA Blue Shortall



All uniforms can be purchased from our studio either in-store or online:
www.mds-dancewear.square.site

Our MDS uniform
range
caters for all:
Minis
Juniors
Intermediates
Seniors

Jazz, Tap, Lyrical, Hip Hop, Acro

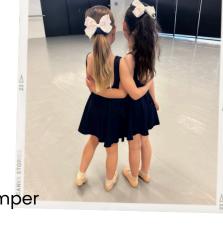
- MDS T-Shirt
- MDS Muscle Singlet
- MDS Basketball Singlet
- MDS Jersey Tee
- MDS Baseball Shirt
- MDS Crop Top preferred for acro
- Black Tights
- Black Bike Shorts
- Tan Jazz Shoes
- Tan Tap Shoes
- Half Ballet Shoes (lyrical)
- Runners (hip hop)





## Classical Ballet for Minis & All Grades

- Navy Leotard
- Navy Ballet Skirt
- Ballet Shoes
- Ballet Stockings
- Navy Scrunchie





## Winter Add-Ons

- MDS Long Sleeve T-Shirt
- MDS Crew Neck Fleece Jumper
- MDS Tracksuit

## Accessories

- Dance Bags, both small & large
- MDS scrunchie
- Sequin Bows
- MDS Crew Socks
- Ballet Socks
- Tan & Ballet Pink stockings



Keep an eye out on your emails and our socials for our uniform open days throughout January 2026. Make sure you're following MDS DANCEWEAR.

## Studio Policies

It is the responsibility of the student and parent/guardian to familiarise themselves with all Studio Policies BEFORE registration. Full policies are at www.mds4dance.com

- 1. Melissa's Dance Studio (MDS) is not liable for any harm, injury or damage sustained by students as a result of participating in classes or organised events
- 2. Students & their siblings may not undertake dance training at another dance school in any style offered at MDS while enrolled at MDS.
- 3. Any personal items such as clothing and shoes left after class are placed in our Lost Property. Anything left at the end of each term is donated to charity.
- 4.Recording of any classes is strictly prohibited without the express permission of the teacher. Any video taken must NOT be posted to any form of social media.
- 5.Report all accidents and injuries to the teacher and staff at the front Reception desk immediately. All accidents and injuries must have an accident / injury report registered.
- 6. Students are required to clean up after themselves and maintain neat and clean studios, change rooms and toilets.
- 7.To finalise enrolment, parents / guardians must read and agree to all MDS policies. In order to submit an online Registration Form, parents / guardians will need to indicate they have read and accept MDS policies in order to register. These policies can be found on the Policy tab of our website.
- 8.MDS has a zero tolerance to bullying.
- 9.MDS has a social media policy to enhance the online safety of our students.
- 10. The parent liability and waiver policy forms part of our studio policies and must be agreed to before enrolling.

## Social Events

At MDS, community is super important to us and we're excited to host several social events throughout the year for our students and their families. More often than not, these events are completely free for our studio families.

Firmer dates for these events will be confirmed during the year.



Proposed Social Events		
Term 1	Welcome BBQ & Disco	
Term 2	Picnic in the Park	
Term 3	Movie Night	
Term 4	Christmas Party	

# Student Code of Conduct

#### IN THE WAITING AREAS

- I WILL ensure I include anyone who wants to sit with me.
- I WILL speak quietly and respect that classes are in progress.
- I WILL pick up all of my rubbish and put it in the bin.
- I WILL NOT leave my bag or shoes in a doorway or hallway, I will place them on racks provided.
- I WILL NOT stand or jump on furniture.
- I WILL NOT touch anything that doesn't belong to me.

#### **IN CLASS**

- I WILL always work to my full potential.
- I WILL address all of my teachers by their correct title.
- IF the class is taking turns to practice an exercise, I will watch my classmates without interrupting so everyone has the chance to learn.
- WHEN the teacher is speaking, I will stand still and not speak to my classmates.
- IF I am late, I will apologise to my class teacher by speaking to them personally before joining the class.
- IF I need to leave early, I will speak to the teacher before class and ask politely to be excused at the appropriate time.
- IF I am given a correction, I will accept that correction and accept it as a chance to learn.
- IF I am not feeling well, or have an injury, I will tell my class teacher about it at the start of every lesson.
- I WILL NOT laugh, make judgement or speak badly about another student.
- I WILL NOT touch another student unless I am asked to.
- I WILL NOT talk back or correct any member of staff.
- I WILL NOT correct another student.

#### **CLOTHING & HAIR**

- I WILL take pride in the way I look.
- I WILL always be dressed in correct uniform (including tights) and ensure I have the correct shoes for each lesson, every lesson.
- I WILL ensure my hair is in a neat style that does not fall in my face or require me to "re-do" it repeatedly during class.





## Can I do a trial before I enrol?

Absolutely yes! However for legal and safety reasons anyone participating in a trial class must still enrol online so we have all your child's important information readily available to us if we need to contact you. New students to MDS are welcome to trial as many classes as they like for 7 days for free. Please make a note on registration that your are trialling your chosen classes for a week. (PN, this is open to new students only)

## Can parents and siblings watch class?

We don't allow anyone other than students in the studio during classes. Children tend to form bonds with their peers and their teacher quicker when it is just students and teacher in the room. We highly encourage a kiss and go procedure - quick kiss and hug from mum and off into class. If we implement this from the start, the easier it is on all!

#### How do I keep up to date with all the studio happenings?

We send out newsletters via email twice per term or as needed.

We also have a closed MDS Family Facebook group which will be up and running from mid January 2026.

We also have our studio social media accounts on Facebook and Instagram and love it when our parents & students tag us so we can share in your child's dance journey with us. Make sure we follow us so we can follow and tag you in your dancers photos.

### Does MDS offer 'boys only' classes?

All of our classes are choreographed for boys and girls. If your son is concerned about dancing in a female dominated class, send him along with a friend. Our preschool program uses gender neutral music, and we take great care in selection of class choreography and music wherever boys are enrolled.

#### Can I do a makeup class if I am absent?

Yes. Find a similar class on the timetable and let the director know that you will be attending. Make up classes can be taken for missed classes due to illness, travel or personal reasons. Missed classes may be made up within the current term only. Refunds and credits will not be given if your child misses a class and doesn't attend a make up.

#### What if my child doesn't like a class?

We offer a money back guarantee on all weekly classes within the first two weeks of term. **See p29 for our refund policy**. It is important to know that at times young children will explore the limits of attending class and say they don't want to go. This period may occur anytime but is usually short-lived. Some ideas that might help you handle the situation: emphasise what the child is doing at the dance class rather than what you do while they are in class; avoid long good-byes; expect the tears and know that usually the tears are to make you feel guilty. They are always short lived once we start having fun!

#### Do timetables stay the same for the entire year?

Timetable may be subject to change depending on registrations. In the lead up to our concert some classes may be combined.

## Are children supervised between classes?

For the most part yes, but there are times that our studio waiting room will be unattended, and as such MDS accepts no responsibility for students left waiting before or after their class times. Students must be collected promptly from studio door or waiting room.

### Is there parking available?

Yes but we ask all parents to remember we are sharing our carpark with a number of other businesses. Please drive safely and ensure you are not blocking any driveways, roller door or entrances to our neighbours. The only allocated parking area for MDS is out the front in the carpark.



#### Class & General Enquiries:

enquire@mds4dance.com

#### Personal, Private & Confidential Matters:

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#### **Accounts**

accounts@mds4dance.com

#### **Uniform & Shop Enquiries:**

accounts@mds4dance.com

All enquiries or to advise of absence via text or phonecall to Melissa:

0407 408 434

Please refrain from messaging staff on their personal social media accounts. This is in breach of our policies and all messages will go unanswered.



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