



Join the fun

Information Pack



2024 Enrolments

Enrolments for 2024 are now open! We use an online enrolment system complete with a Parent Portal where you can update your details, check your statements, view our online store and much more!

Please head to our website groovedance.com.au and book in for a free trial to secure your spot in classes for 2024!

Location

Greenhills - 8/4a Garnett Road East Maitland

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Hip Hop/Jazz classes
Tap classes
Classical/Lyrical classes
Cheerleading classes
Acro/Tumbling classes
Acro Dance combo classes

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*Groove Dance was established
in 2005 by owner and teacher
Nerrida Bushell-Dennis*

Nerrida grew up dancing in Maitland and Newcastle NSW training in multiple styles of dance. Nerrida competed competitively between the age of 12 to her early 20's. As a teenager, Nerrida trained with Darren Disney (an original Tap Dog) as well as participated in the tap section of the Opening Ceremony of the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games. Nerrida moved to Sydney when she was 19 years old and trained at various leading Dance Studio's including Brent Street Studios and Sydney Dance Company. Nerrida has always loved the creative side to dance and decided to move home and pursue her love of dance, teaching and creating dance routines. After a few years of teaching at various dance studios in the Maitland and Newcastle area Nerrida decided to open her own studio in 2005 in East Maitland. Nerrida has always continued her training and among lots of different opportunities she has taken classes at Broadway Dance Centre in New York City.

*Our aim is to create a caring, safe, fun, and encouraging
environment for your child's dance journey.*

Groove was created with the idea that students could learn for fun and at affordable prices with dedicated and hard-working teachers. The phrase Fun and Affordable has been our catchphrase since we were established in 2005, due to our studio offering recreational classes where students can have fun in their classes instead of having to compete against each other or other studios but with competitive dance class prices. Winning trophies is not our focus at Groove we are instead dedicated to the educational side of dance instead of the competitive side. We also often run different charity events from Bandana day to Charity concerts giving students the opportunity to work as a team to help raise money for really good causes and by doing something we enjoy-dancing. We are extremely proud of our students and their families and the money and awareness our dance studio has helped to raise. Some of the charities we have raised money for since we opened in 2005 include: National Breast Cancer Association, Ronald McDonald House Newcastle, Mark Hughes Foundation, Dance for Sick Kids, Bandanna Day-Canteen and the Make a Wish Foundation.

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Little Groover Classes

Our Little Groover classes cater for children from the age of 18 months until they attend Primary School. We offer age appropriate classes and have created a nurturing environment, with classes capped at 10 children in each class, so each child will learn and develop their skills in dance and you can watch their confidence and self-esteem soar!



What you should expect from your child's age

A guardian is able to stay with this age group or drop their child off and pick them up at the end of their classes. If you are unsure what you would like to do feel free to discuss this with us. We also offer School readiness classes for students who are up to learning with out a parent in the room.

18 months-3 years old

- All children must be steady on their feet and walking to participate.
- With in a few lessons students will start to learn to stand on their spot to learn a movement.
- With in a few lessons students start to participate in 1 or more exercises per class.

3 years -5 years old

- As students start to attend regular lessons they will participate in more exercises and movements each week and build on their learning and listening skills.
- Co-ordination will improve as each term progresses.

At this age your child may not participate in a 100% of each class every week and thats ok we work with each child at their learning pace. We are not expecting perfection especially at this age. Our Little Groover classes are all about learning and sometimes that may mean sitting and watching or only participating in a few exercises.

Consistency and weekly attendance is important for our youngest students.

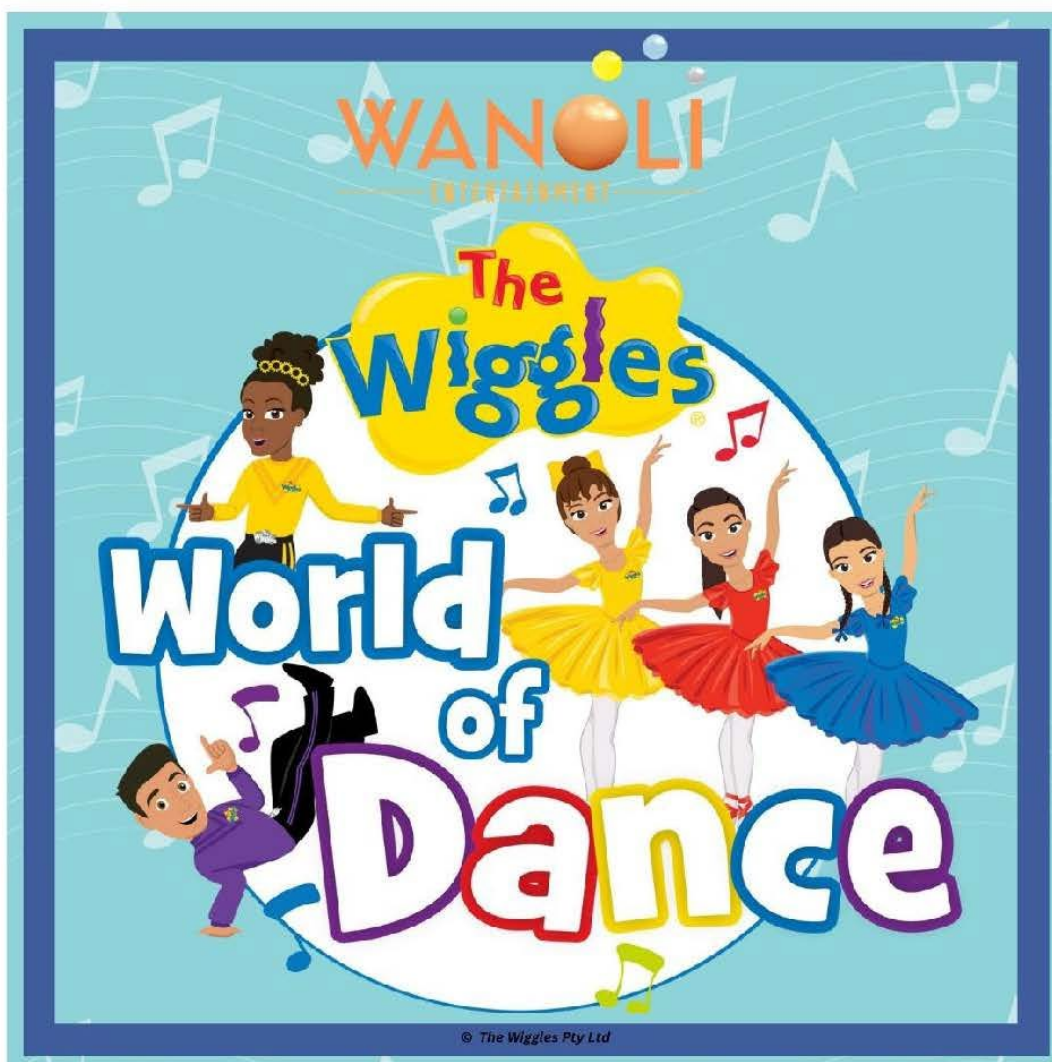
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Groove Dance and Cheerleading Presents



Please see our information pack for all our wonderful Wiggles information.



About Princess Ballerinas

The dance section of our Princess ballerinas includes lots of Princess fun and is a combination of jazz and ballet designed for our preschool-aged students. These movements are designed to build self-esteem and confidence. We will be working on coordination and rhythm while using our imagination and creativity.

What to wear

It's time to dress up in your favourite princess outfit. Students can wear anything they are comfortable to move around in with secure and safe shoes like ballet shoes or sports joggers.

Benefits of Dance

Builds Confidence
Dance is empowering! It improves confidence and self-esteem.

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Builds Connection & Community
The dance studio often becomes a 'home away from home' for students. Dancing is a wonderful place to experience a sense of connection and community.

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Benefits of Dance

Flexibility & Strength
Dancing is proven to improve muscle strength & flexibility. It also increases general body awareness.

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Benefits of Dance

Teaches Important Life Skills
Dancing is about so much more than twirls and tutus! Dancing also teaches important life skills that will last long after the last recital.

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Benefits of Dance

Builds Social Skills
Dance class is a great place to meet new friends and learn about important skills like sharing & teamwork.

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Benefits of Dance

Improves Memory & Focus
It's been shown that learning new moves and combinations improves memory and enhances focus.

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LIL GROOVERS

HIP HOP FOR PRESCHOOLERS

Does your kid love to roll, spin and dance around the house?! If so, they're going to LOVE being a Little Groover!

Little Groovers is an opportunity for 2-5-year-olds to tear it up on the dance floor while learning a fresh and funky hip hop curriculum!

GROOVE WITH NEW FRIENDS

THEY'LL LEARN TO TAKE TURNS, WORK TOGETHER, AND SHARE THE STAGE WITH NEW FRIENDS

LIL GROOVERS

"YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE GREAT TO START, BUT YOU HAVE TO START TO BE GREAT"

BOOST CONFIDENCE

EACH CLASS LEADS TO MORE COMFORT ON THE DANCE FLOOR AND MORE CONFIDENCE OFF OF IT!

LIL GROOVERS

BUILD FINE & GROSS MOTOR SKILLS

LIL GROOVERS

ROUTINE & REPETITION LEADS TO COORDINATION, SPACIAL AWARENESS, AND DEXTERITY

Little Groovers learn to take turns, share the stage, and how to work with each other in a creative community.

LIL GROOVERS

IMPROVED LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING

PRACTICING NEW MOVES AND ROUTINES DEVELOPS FOCUS AND ATTENTION SPANS CRITICAL FOR SUCCESS IN SCHOOL

LIL GROOVERS

POSITIVE ROLE MODELS

PASSIONATE, PROFESSIONALLY-TRAINED DANCE INSTRUCTORS HELP TO INSPIRE LEARNING THROUGH ENCOURAGEMENT

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KEEP YOUR LITTLE GROOVER SMILING

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SCHOOL READINESS

A PROGRAM THAT BUILDS CONFIDENCE, SELF-EXPRESSION, AND LEARNING CAPACITY

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Cost and Payment of class fees

Fees are paid by Auto-Pay(Direct Debit) and directly linked to your Parent Portal. Auto-Pay is a quick and easy method of paying and is set up at the studio by one of our staff members or you can log into your personal portal and set it up yourself.

If you are wanting payments to come out on a certain day, fortnightly or monthly please let us know upon set up.

You are able view any payments you have made on class fees in the Payment History of your private Parent Portal.



Tuition and Fees

Tuition is charged weekly to your invoice and we run classes roughly in line with the NSW Public School Term. Your enrolment with us will continue each term unless we are notified by email.

Auto-Pay (direct debit) is one of only 2 payment options available for our dance classes and one of the reasons we are able to offer affordable dance classes. We are registered providers of the Active and Creative Kids Vouchers and they can be used for dance classes once you have enrolled and set up your Auto-Pay Payments.



Enrolment and our Parent Portal

Students that enrol at Groove receive an email with information on how to access a private Personal Parent Portal. Personal Parent Portals contain account statements, our online shop, class enrolments, an easy and convenient way to contact us and lots more.

To quickly access our Parent Portals you can go to our website groovedance.com.au and click on the tab Parent Portal.

Trial your first week for free

Students can trial their first week for free. Free trials can be booked on our website groovedance.com.au or you can send us a message and we can book in for you..

How to enrol with Groove

To enrol you can see one of our staff members at our studio and they will walk you through the steps. It is an easy process and only takes around 5 minutes.

You can also enrol online by going to <https://groovedance.com.au/parent-portal-login>



Unlimited Dance Discount



Per Students:

- Pay for your first 3 dance classes each week and receive any class after that for \$1

Per Family:

- Pay \$45 per family a week and \$1 per class. There is no limit to how many siblings can receive this discount.

****CONDITIONS APPLY****

Both discounts per students and family cannot be combined.

Payments must be direct debited using Auto-Pay.

Online level up classes cannot be used as the first 3 classes you pay for per week but are free for students who receive our unlimited discount.

This discount can be used for classes on different days they do not just have to be on the same day and can be the same class on a different day.



Uniforms

Students who participate in our Annual Dance Concert wear a studio T-Shirt at concert time to use as part of their costumes.

If you would like to order our studio uniform prior to enrolling please send an email to enquiries@groovedance.com.au or go to our website groovedance.com.au and click on Contact Us.

New enrolments receive a free T-shirt.

Our studio uniforms are not compulsory to wear
Comfortable active clothes can be worn to class each week.

Shoes

Comfortable sports shoes can be worn for most weekly classes.

What shoes need to be purchased for our Annual Dance Concert depends on which class your child does. Once students are enrolled in a class you can view the options for shoes in your personal portal under class files. Shoes can be purchased anytime prior to our Annual Dance Concert. Our tap shoe colour we use is camel.





Concert Information Pack

We send out a Concert information pack prior to our Annual Concert so parents can go through the information and decide if this is something they want to put their name down for. It is not compulsory to participate in our Annual Dance Concert but if you do decide to complete the concert waiver to commit at concert time your account will be charged accordingly.

Concert Time

Our Annual Dance Concert is held near the middle of each year. Our concert is away from Christmas which gives everyone the opportunity to enjoy without having lots of extra costs and commitments that come along with the end of each year.

What Happens After the Concert?

After our concert we start working on all new dances for our next concert. We also do a mini concert at the end of the year with very little commitment from our students and families needed. Last year we held a charity concert where the audience paid \$6 to watch and it was all donated to Ronald McDonald House Newcastle.

Costumes at Concert Time

Concert Information Book

All students enrolled at Groove will receive a concert information book at Concert time with all the dates and information you require.

We have 2 options available for costumes at concert time and detailed information on both options will be outlined in the concert information book so you can make the choice best for you.



Option One

- You can lend the costumes the studio supplies at concert time.
- All our costumes will be set up organised and ready for students at full dress rehearsal, our concert and photo day.
- You are not able to keep the costumes you will instead lend them and return them to Groove.



Option Two

- You can purchase the costumes the studio supplies at concert time.
- All costumes will be set up and organised and ready for students at full dress rehearsal and our concert.
- Most classes do 2 dances in our annual concert and our costumes range anywhere between approximately \$20-\$60 each costume. Please note the amount is an estimate and could be either less or more expensive depending on the dance and costume required.



Contact Information



Website: groovedance.com.au

To send a message from our website click on contact us.

Email: enquiries@groovedance.com.au

Personal Parent Portal: Go to our website and click on *parent portal login*.

Send a message from your parent portal: Along the top information bar click on *Contact*.

Facebook: **GROOVE DANCE AND CHEERLEADING**

Mobile: **0423286527**

If you enrol in any of our classes, please join our Facebook parents group: GROOVE DANCE PARENTS

Groove Dance and Cheerleading can be found on the Social Media Platforms Facebook, Instagram and TikTok