



Rhythm Academy



WELCOME PACK 26/27



for new and
returning
students of all
programmes

2026-2027

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Thanks for choosing to be part of the Rhythm Academy family!

Whether your child was born for the stage, just starting out or just wants to have fun with their pals, our classes are unmatched for building confidence, creativity, and lifelong friendships in a safe and nurturing environment. In our lessons we prioritise friendship and kindness above all else, and the skills flow from there.

Our team is passionate about helping young performers grow in skill and self-belief. Through the disciplines of dance, music and drama students learn not only how to perform, but how to work as a team, express themselves, and have fun while doing it. The friendships they forge are real and lasting, the skills are theirs for life.

We primarily communicate via email, so please make sure the details you've provided on ClassForKids are correct and up to date. Please be aware **we can't make changes on your behalf** - it's your data, not ours. You can log in to your ClassforKids account anytime (info on p.6).

As our classes run back-to-back in shared community venues, our teachers usually won't have time to chat between sessions. If you have any questions, concerns, or need to get in touch for any reason, please drop us an email at rhythm.academy@outlook.com.

Please note: while we do use social media, messages on Instagram and Facebook are not monitored and they don't always reach us, so any important communication should be sent by email. Equally, check your junk settings aren't flagging us as spam.

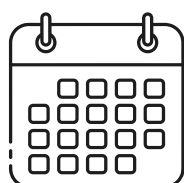
This welcome pack contains a lot of information about payments, dates and how to manage your bookings. Keep it handy! If you have any questions, we're always here to help.

Thanks again for choosing us to be part of your child's story.



PAYMENT INFORMATION

New for this session and going forward, we have moved all our regular school-aged classes to subscription payment plans. This reduces the admin load and the frequency of missed payments for all of us. This is now how we will administrate class fees for term time Music, Dance and "MAD Tuesday" classes.



Payment Schedule

- There are **39 weeks of classes** this year.
- Class fees are spread equally over **12 monthly payments** for simplicity, predictability and affordability.
- Payments are collected on the **1st of each month** (that includes months where there are holidays)
- This setup **avoids large upfront costs** and **reduces the administrative load for families**.



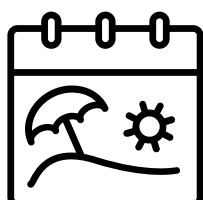
How to Pay

- **All payments must be made through ClassforKids**
- We do not accept cash or bank transfers unless by special agreement.
- Payments are collected as a **monthly recurring card payment**: you must ensure your details are correct and there is sufficient money in the account to pay.



Missed or Failed Payments

- **If your payment fails, ClassforKids will automatically retry** the next day.
- **ClassforKids will inform you** of any re-attempts at collecting failed payments **via email**.
- After several failed attempts, your booking is **automatically cancelled**. There is a **£5 administrative fee** charged to you for the manual follow-up and reinstatement of your child's place.
- **Any unpaid balances must be cleared** before your child's space is reinstated and they can return to class.
- You will have to re-set your subscription.



No-class weeks

Your payment plan is based on 39 weeks of class and already accounts for the following holidays.

Classes will be off as follows:

October Break: Friday 9th - Friday 16th October 2026

Christmas Holidays: Sunday 20th December 2026 - Monday 4th January 2027

Easter Weekend: Friday 26th March - Monday 29th March 2027

Spring Holidays: Sunday 4th April - Monday 19th April 2027

Last day of session: Saturday 26th June 2027.

COVERING PAYMENTS

Times your payment might be different one month to the next.



As mentioned before, term time class fees are charged on a **monthly subscription basis**, with **payments spread evenly over 12 months**, collected on the **1st of each month**.

This helps keep payments manageable and consistent throughout the year, **regardless of how many classes fall in any given month**.

If you join **before or after the 1st** of the month, or **part-way through a term**, you may see a **covering payment** added to your first month.

This ensures payment is made for any individual classes attended outside of your subscription period.

For example: If your child begins attending classes mid-month or mid-term, the covering payment accounts for the classes taken before your regular monthly payments begin.

This is a one-off adjustment and will be clearly detailed in your invoice . After this, your standard monthly payments will continue as normal.



SESSION 26/27

CALENDAR

This at-a-glance calendar shows our intended class dates for the full 26/27 session, and can be found on our website all year.

Please note that **we operate between 3 venues.**

Dance has to relocate for 2 Saturdays - marked with an asterisk.

Our holiday dates are based around East Dunbartonshire's school term dates as that's where the majority of our students are based.

CLASS DATES 2026 - 2027

Rhythm Academy

● Dance & Mt. Classes (ST CYPRIAN'S)
 ● MAD Tuesdays & Piano Classes (ST MARY'S)
 ● Piano Classes (HILLHEAD)
 ● Holidays (Based on East Dunbartonshire)

★ Relocated to St Mary's

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Throughout the year there will be performances from the classes, dates and venues will be shared with you as soon as we have confirmation from our vendors.

As always, if you know of a premises vacant in the area that would help us do what we do, let us know in an email and we'll take a look.



MULTI-CLASS & SIBLING PLANS

Will I be paying several subscriptions if my child attends more than one class?

No. There is one payment to cover everything.

You book classes as normal which prompts us to combine all your class payments into one. One parent account is charged one bespoke payment every month, based on the classes attended.

This streamlines all payments into one collection, it makes things much easier than hunting down several invoices every new block (for all involved!)

I have more than one child - do I pay multiple subscriptions?

No, your subscription will combine all the children you have booked in for classes.

The only exception to this is if you have a child attending classes not included in subscription plans (ie Talented Toddlers and Talented Toddlers at Nursery - these do not sit within the subscription framework as they don't follow the school term). These classes are paid upon an invoice, block by block.

Will any additional payments be added to the subscription? e.g. Costumes, exams, trips?

No. Any ad-hoc payments throughout the year will be invoiced or charged via a payment slip. These are dealt with separately because they won't apply to everyone, and they're unlikely to be for a standard rate, the way class fees are set.



UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION

We can't know what you don't tell us.

We use ClassForKids to manage all student information, including emergency contacts, medical details, and photo/video permissions. Not just payment handling.

It's really important that your account is kept up to date to help us ensure the safety and wellbeing of every child.

Please take a moment to regularly check and update your details on [ClassForKids](#), especially if:

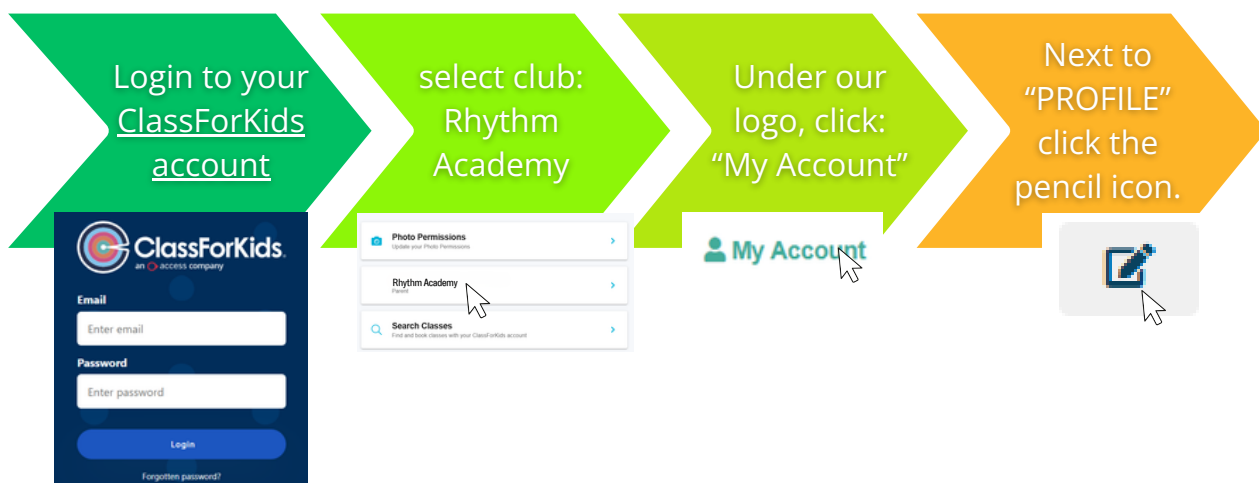
- Your contact number or email changes
- Your child's medical needs change
- Someone new is collecting your child
- You need to update consent or permissions

We are unable to make changes to you or your child's personal details, as we do not have the permission to act on your behalf.

You give us permission to access and view the data you share with us as necessary and relevant to the activities we provide.

If you're ever unsure please email us at rhythm.academy@outlook.com, but you'll probably find ClassforKids is quite straightforward when you know the way in (see the guide below!)

Making changes to your account on ClassforKids



This is also your way in to track any payments, dates, and see what other classes we've got running.

Hope this helps.



UNIFORM & MERCHANDISE

Dance class : Compulsory basics

Dance classes are the only class with mandatory uniform basics:

- Black sleeveless leotard
- Tan tights (can wear black tights or leggings to class)
- Black ballet skirt
- **Black ballet shoes**
- **Black tap shoes**

You can source these wherever you are most comfortable.

These are the basic essentials or “underlayer” for most of our performance costumes, and will be necessary should your child present for exams. For regular classwear, you can also wear branded merchandise.

Dance shoes are absolutely necessary for all dance classes. Please clearly mark them with your child's name!

Branded clothing

Our supplier is Customique clothing, based in Muirhead. They carry a wide range of branded merchandise, and if your child wishes to wear any of the branded clothing to class they are encouraged to do so.

Rhythm Academy does not have a business premises, we cannot store a supply of branded merchandise. Therefore, merchandise can't be bought at class and **must be ordered directly from Customique**.



Customique will make your clothes and accessories to order, and all items can be customised with names if you choose. You can either collect in store or have your order delivered at home.

We encourage students in all classes to wear branded clothes if they want to do so.

We make no money from these items. We're just supporting a local business.

T-shirts and leggings are ideal for Drama, Dance and Music classes and there are bags to carry sheet music, books and shoes... **but what's most important to us is that the student is at class, regardless of what they're wearing.**

