

## EISTEDDFODS IN 2017

***PLEASE RETURN ATTACHED FORM BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR TO SECURE YOUR CHILD'S PLACE IN TROUPE FOR 2017.***

Eisteddfods are dance competitions where students enter as troupes, solos and duos/trios in various styles of dance. Eisteddfods are a great opportunity for students to perform and meet new people in a fun environment. A high level of commitment is required to be part of the troupe – please see details below. A reminder that we always have **3 weeks of holidays** between terms, to give families the chance to book trips after the eisteddfod in the first week.

### TROUPE/SOLO/DUO/TRIO EISTEDDFODS

***Please note that students must be available to perform at the three eisteddfods listed below.***

1. Sale eisteddfod – 1<sup>st</sup> April-approx 5<sup>th</sup> April
2. Morwell eisteddfod – 30<sup>th</sup> June-approx 8<sup>th</sup> July
3. Traralgon eisteddfod – 22<sup>nd</sup> September-approx 1<sup>st</sup> October

### OPTIONAL SOLO/DUO/TRIO EISTEDDFODS (NO TROUPES)

1. Yarram eisteddfod – May (teachers will be present)
2. Leongatha eisteddfod – August (teachers **will not** be present)
3. Follow Your Dreams competition, Moe – August (teachers **will not** be present)

Other opportunities may arise throughout the year.

### TROUPE REQUIREMENTS

- 8 & Under Troupe students must be enrolled in **ballet** to be part of the troupe
- 10 & Under, 12 & Under, 14 & Under and Open students must be enrolled in **ballet and jazz** to be part of the troupe
- Students enrolled in ballet, jazz and tap receive troupe class free
- All troupe students will remain in the same troupe age group for 2017, with the exception of any 14 & under students who are already 15 and therefore must move up to Open
- Troupe students cannot miss more than two ballet classes, two jazz classes and two troupe classes per term to maintain their spot in the troupe. If students are unwell they should attempt to watch the class and provide a note (this is then not counted as a lesson missed).
- There will occasionally be extra troupe rehearsals held on a weekend before the eisteddfod or to learn new troupes at the beginning of a term.

### SOLOS/DUOS/TRIOS

- Students wanting to perform solos or duos/trios at eisteddfods are required to take weekly private lessons. The private lesson timetable will be organised and emailed to parents next year before Term 1 begins. Please let me know if your child is stopping private lessons next year so that lessons are not scheduled for your child. Some new routines may be taught on weekend rehearsals and then polished in weekly private lessons.
- Students **MUST** be part of troupe in order to enter solos/duos/trios.
- Parents are responsible for entering students into the eisteddfods for solos/duos/trios – I will pass on entry information for each eisteddfod via email.
- Students are only allowed to learn ONE new solo and ONE new duo/trio per term. Parents should advise me ASAP of any new requests for 2017 if it has not been done already.
- Students will need a costume for each solo/duo/trio item that they learn. Students may organise their own costume **so long as it is approved by me first**, or they can hire costumes from Leaps and Bounds.
- Private lessons will be invoiced twice per term and are charged at \$25 per half hour. 15 minute lessons are also used for those with fewer routines to rehearse. Any students wishing to have a private lesson longer than half an hour will be required to have a Saturday lesson as timetabling is very tight during the week.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding eisteddfods. I look forward to another great year of eisteddfods in 2017!

Jenny Cumming  
Principal

**LEAPS AND BOUNDS**  
**TROUPE ENROLMENT FORM 2017**

*Please return before end of year – one form per family*

**Child 1**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Troupe age group: \_\_\_\_\_

*I have read the requirements above.* \_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT SIGNATURE

**Child 2**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Troupe age group: \_\_\_\_\_

*I have read the requirements above.* \_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT SIGNATURE

**Child 3**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Troupe age group: \_\_\_\_\_

*I have read the requirements above.* \_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT SIGNATURE

**Child 4**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Troupe age group: \_\_\_\_\_

*I have read the requirements above.* \_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT SIGNATURE