Dear Students and Parents
November 2026

We would like to thank everyone for their support and efforts this year and take this opportunity to outline a few reminders and helpful hints. Classes end on Tuesday 25 November before our concerts.

CONCERT REMINDER – THURSDAY 26 NOVEMBER, FRIDAY 27 NOVEMBER, SATURDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2026
Students need to arrive at **6.00pm** dressed in their first costume with full stage make-up and hair securely tied up in a bun. We will run through the finale at 6.15pm each night. For the younger students an afternoon nap will help them cope with the late night. Please remember to pack a dressing gown to protect costumes, snack and water (no nuts or eggs).

Members of the audience will be unable to enter/exit the theatre except at interval. Please ensure guests arrive on time.

It is important that all parents and students adhere to the school's backstage, make-up, hair and appearance requirements. No underwear is allowed and bra straps are not to be visible – skin colour only. No fringes, jewellery, earrings or nail polish. If straps need adjusting please hand stitch – no knots or safety pins. All backstage volunteers and parents remaining in dressing rooms must have a working with children check. Further to ensure a safe child environment all male family members will need to remain in the foyer or boys dressing room only. Class leaders and dressers can assist your child (or toilets are available). The theatre does not allow make-up in the Woodstock Theatre nor as of this year permit costume changes as CCTV is in operation – please change behind the privacy screen.

Students and parents need to remain in their dressing rooms at all times, including interval. We have arranged televisions in each of the dressing rooms so students can watch the show when not performing. **Please ensure all groups are seated together in dressing rooms**. Walkways and the TV screen in the dressing room to be kept clear.

Only class leaders can escort their child's group to side stage. All other parents must remain in the dressing rooms.

Please ensure your child's costumes are appropriately organised and there is a supply of hair pins, safety pins and spare stockings in case of emergencies. Ballet ribbons to be tied securely around the ankle, tucked in (no bows), and taped up.

Students must remain in dressing rooms at all times and will not be allowed to leave until a parent comes to collect.

COSTUMES - As costumes are hired they must all be returned on the night of the last concert. Please place all costumes and head pieces carefully in the bags provided. Failure to return a costume on the night, in good condition will incur a further fee. Class Leaders will co-ordinate costume collection. ***Don't forget a change of clothes to go home in after the concert.***

PROFESSIONAL DIGITIAL RECORDING - We have arranged professional filming of the performances and digital links will be circulated for all three concerts.

PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS – You can view and order your child's individual and group photos at www.nationalphotography.com.au. Click "Dance Photos" and enter the password DAPOW.

TROPHY ENGRAVING – SPECIAL OFFER TO DANCE POWER
If you wish to have your dancing trophy engraved, contact Sharon (a Dance Power mum) **after the concert** on 0402330041 or sl.engraving@bigpond.com. Sharon offers Dance Power students a special price of $15 each.

CONCERT TIPS

Backstage

- No talking backstage or when lining up as the audience can hear
- Always stay in your dance order
- Important to line up against the wall when waiting so students who have finished performing can run past
- When waiting in wings stand far back out of view (audience can see you)
- When walking behind the stage do not touch the back white curtain

On Stage

- Big Smiles
- Lots of energy and presentation
- No walking or talking on stage – always dancing
- Spread out evenly and use the whole stage – look at tape markers on stage floor
- If your dance finishes:
  - On stage: Hold position until curtain is completely down
  - Off stage: Keep dancing all the way off into the wings and backstage – do not stop and clump in the wings as audience can see you
- After performing the finale all students must remain on stage for speeches and presentations. Please ensure Tinys & Sub-Junior students leave the stage first.

2027 INFORMATION PACKS AND ENROLMENTS
Information Packs are now available online and existing students are given a 7 day priority to enrol now for 2027. Please ensure you register you/your child as places are limited and once filled will close. Classes resume Saturday 30 Jan 2027

Congratulations to all our students on a fabulous year and thank you for your support and assistance!
****SEE YOU AT THE CONCERT****