

Frequently Asked Questions

We are really excited about this year's show and would encourage as many of you as possible to sign up. The opportunity to perform on the large stage is an incredibly exciting one, not to be missed. We have put together some FAQs below to help clarify the process and benefits:

Q: What is the Annual Dance Show?

A: An annual production showcasing the work of our Dance Department - it allows the students to perform in an outside venue, it is a fabulous opportunity for the children to experience the whole process of performing - including costume, lights, sound and an enthusiastic audience.

Q: Why should my child do the show?

A: The most important reason is confidence. Performing in front of an audience is both nerve wracking and exciting. The positive benefits of experiencing this with a group of peers is tremendous and is the only way to help children to become confident and relaxed when appearing in any public event in the future. The more you do it, the better at it you become. So we provide a safe environment to build those skills and develop that feeling of value, self-esteem and confidence.

Q: Why do I have to pay?

A: To stage the show we have to pay for the weekend hire of a theatre - this amounts to upwards of \$8000. Add to that costume, sets, sound, lighting, extra staff and you can see how quickly these production costs add up. The fee that you pay to take part in the show functions simply to contribute to these huge production costs plus extra teaching time. Your children get to spend two days working in a theatre on top of their usual classes. Our aim for these shows is to provide your children with the best possible platform for their creativity and produce the highest quality show we can for the cost - and putting on a show is a very expensive business. If there were a way to offer the shows at a lower cost, we would love to take it. At the moment we are 100% un-funded, and whilst sponsorship is an option, it is very difficult to attract sponsors prepared to pay for other children's experiences in a first world country.

Q: Do I have to buy tickets for the show?

A: Included in your show kit are two tickets per performer. Any extras will need to be purchased.

Q: What happens if my child does not join?

A: Whilst we would encourage as many Dancers to take part as possible, please rest assured that if your child does not participate in the show, he or she will still benefit from the training and learning experience they receive in their regular classes regardless. Our top priority has been, and will continue to be, that we all have a stimulating and fun filled time and that no one feels excluded in any way. If choosing not to participate, it would be lovely to see your children coming along to watch the show and support their classmates anyway!