

Welcome to Term 1 @ Bom Funk Dance Studio!

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new students and a big welcome back to our wonderful returning students! Welcome to the Bom Funk family!

The term is now starting to settle, crew auditions are complete and classes are finalised. It is time to focus on what we love most – Dancing!!

New: Online Enrolment System – Parent Portal

I hope you will all enjoy the ease of our new enrolment and online accounts system throughout the year. If you do encounter any problems or have feedback (good or bad), please don't hesitate to contact me so I can assist. I am still learning how best to operate this system for our studio needs and I thank you for your patience.

Access the Parent Portal/Bom Funk Online Account: http://bomfunkdancestudio.studioware-online.com/

❖ New: Studio 2!

Existing families will have noticed a huge change to our studio this year with the introduction of Studio 2 & the Parent & Student lounges. I would like to extend a huge thank you to the families who assisted in the fit-out over the holidays; Rocco & Natalie Mangeruca from 5M Industries who organised the materials and layed the sprung wooden floor, Steve Mason who organised and mounted the new mirrors and to all of the senior students who came in and put together the furniture and helped clean and set up. The spaces are still a work in progress as we add final touches (acoustic panels & anti-slip are on their way this week) but I am sure you will agree that the extra space brings added life and vibrancy to the studio; a community Arts Hub!

Invoices & Admin

Term One fees are now due!! All invoices have been emailed. If you have not received yours, please check your junk mail folder and email settings or request a printed invoice. Please check the date on your invoice to avoid the \$25 late fee. If you have concerns regarding fees or require assistance, please don't hesitate to email info@bomfunk.com.au.

My allocated administration days for the studio this year are Mondays and Thursdays (9am-3pm). I usually still check email and mobile messages daily for anything urgent.

Class Attire

Wearing suitable attire & shoes in class is important for student safety as it ensures the teacher can clearly see how students are working, and whether the correct muscles are being used. It is not compulsory for students to wear Bom Funk gear to class but a similar style of clothing to what has been recommended would be appreciated. For further information about what students should be wearing to each class, please see the 'Attire' section of our website.



Bloch in the City has our studio attire on record so if you need to purchase any shoes or dance wear, you can tell them you are from Bom Funk Dance Studio and they will be able to provide you with the recommended shoes and attire. Big W & Target also have a fantastic range of Dance wear for younger students.

Timetable adjustments

Now that classes have settled, we have made some minor adjustments to our timetable to suit class numbers and levels. All classes affected have already been advised but an updated timetable is now available on our website should you like a new copy. http://www.bomfunk.com.au/timetable/

❖ NEW CLASSES for week 3!!

We have made a new **Hip Hop Senior** class starting this Tuesday 17th February at 4.30-5.30pm with Miss Georgia. Some students really wanted to do both the Friday Musical Theatre and Hip Hop classes so we have created this new class to cater for this.

A new **Tap Tots class** will start this Thursday 19th February at 3.30-4.00pm with Miss Kym. A 1hr discount package is also available for those who continue on for the Dance Tots class at 4.00pm.





Saturday classes for juniors – keep

your timetable simple and try our '3 in a row' Junior Ballet, Jazz Ballet & Hip Hop on Saturdays from 10.15am – 12.30pm. Don't forget we have great multiple class discounts available!

Bom Funk Glee Club – we are after a few more students who love to sing AND dance to fill this class! You don't have to be an amazing singer; it's all about

having fun and giving it a try. If you have ever dreamed of being in a musical or making Dance your career, this is a must to build confidence in your song & dance skills! Plus, it sounds like the students are having a lot of fun recreating 'Pitch Perfect' at the moment with our new teacher Miss Hannah! Tuesdays 6.30-7.30pm

If you are interested in any of these classes, please attend this week and we can adjust your online enrolment.

Did you know we also have adult classes?

We are having lots of fun in **Adult Tap** where the 'Tap Queens' are already discussing end of term celebration bubbly!

Or try our Beginner Adult Jazz Ballet Funk class (now only \$15/lesson!) Tuesdays 7.30-8.30pm



❖ Bom Funk Apparel

The first round of Bom Funk Apparel orders will close on **Sunday 1st March (end of Week 4).** Please make sure you have your order forms and payments completed by this day. Order forms are available from the studio or the 'Bom Funk Apparel' section of our website. Please ask if you would like assistance with sizes as we do have some samples in our store room to try.

Over the next 2 weeks we will also be releasing some new items to purchase including Bom Funk bucket hats, short shorts (bike shorts), tote bags and 'J4 Crew' bucket hats and supporter's Tees. If there is an item of clothing you think would be popular, please let us know and we can look into it for you!

For those who qualified for a free Bom Funk T-shirt, you will be contacted shortly to choose a size & colour.

Crews

Congratulations to all of our crew members this year! It was great to see so many students attend our Crew auditions. We also welcome several new Crew Leaders this year with Miss Dee taking J Crew & our new Varsity Crew and Miss Maddie & Miss Anitra taking our junior pocket rockets, JPod! These leaders have a hard task to follow such wonderful leaders from last year so please give them all of your support and welcome them to our crew family! All of our Crews have already begun preparing for upcoming performances and competitions – we can't wait to see their pieces!

Crew uniforms are available for purchase for those new into a crew. Order forms are available from the studio or the 'Crew Apparel' section of our website. We are in the final stages of finalising our new Crew names and uniforms. Once this is complete, you will be notified.

Photo & DVD Orders

Our favourite photos from 'Rock to Rockettes' have been added to our website gallery: http://www.bomfunk.com.au/bom-funk-photo-gallery/

Photo orders are now open for both shows last year & DVDs are in so please ask your teacher if you haven't collected yours yet! Order forms are available from the studio or the 'DVD & Photo orders' section of our website.

We also have available for purchase a beautiful professionally edited book displaying the best photos from each Showcase – sample book and order forms for this are coming soon!

Fridge, Microwave & Drink fountain

We would like to have a small bar fridge/freezer and microwave at the studio in the Kitchenette area. If you have either of these items, in good running order, you would like to donate to the studio (or sell at a small cost), we would be very grateful. Please let me know!

To help save the environment from excessive waste, disposable cups will not be provided for our drinking fountain. Please ensure you bring a drink bottle or cup that you can refill. You are welcome to store your own cup in the kitchenette cupboard near the bathrooms. Please name your cup so that others do not use it.

Showcase Performance Dates

We have booked Calwell Performing Arts Centre for our Mid-year & End-of-year Showcases. Please mark the dates below into your calendars. Performing is not compulsory, but it is highly recommended to improve students' performance technique, confidence and enjoyment of dance. Please advise the studio with as much notice as possible if your child is not able to perform, as this can affect the positioning and choreography in a routine.

Mid-Year Showcase: Saturday 20th June 2015 End-of-year Showcase: Saturday 5th December 2015



❖ Hong Kong Tour 2016

Would you like to be a part of Bom Funk Dance Studio's Hong Kong Dance Tour in 2016? We have postponed our planned 2015 tour so that more people can join us in 2016! We are currently aiming to travel in the Easter holidays in 2016 but this is open for discussion. Students aged between 8-20 years are invited to perform overseas with us!! Students will participate in workshops and perform at HK Disneyland, Ocean Park & on Victoria Harbour as well as a possible performance in Macau.

We will be having an information session & fundraising meeting for all of those interested in attending our tour on **Sunday 1st March, 5pm** at Bom Funk Dance Studio.

Our fundraising committee has already done a fantastic job at raising money for our students and we have a lot of opportunities to continue this throughout the year. Our aim is to raise \$15 000 and we are starting the year with over \$4000!!

As you can see, so much is already happening at our little studio – what an exciting term!

Kind Regards,

Kym Degenhart Director/Principal







