



Welcome to Term 1 @ Bom Funk Dance Studio!

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new students and their families and a big welcome back to our returning students! Welcome to the Bom Funk family! I look forward to catching up or meeting each of you soon. Over the holidays we have kept very busy preparing the studio for 2016! I would like to thank Miss Ella, Miss Emily & Miss Savannah for their assistance preparing the studio and a big HUGE thank you to the Silver family and especially Natasha who spent an entire week at the studio assisting me with preparations and sorting costumes!!



I have also managed to move house over Christmas and am really enjoying living in Jerrabomberra now! It really is such a special community and I love living closer to the studio. As well as this big move, I moved schools and started a new position at Namadgi School last week. While Calwell, and especially my students there, will always have a special place in my heart, I am looking forward to this change and especially to the drop in my teaching hours so that I can primarily focus on Bom Funk and bring to life some of the many ideas and plans I have for the place!

❖ Online Enrolment System – Parent Portal

Access the [Parent Portal/Bom Funk Online Account](#). This system allows you to view and enrol in classes, view account balances and make payments on invoices, add new students to your family account, add/update mailing addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses and view your class schedule.

Existing customers, please make sure your details are correct for 2016, including phone numbers and addresses. Several students also do not have their birthdays recorded which means it is difficult for us to check class suitability and register for competitions (if in crews).

All families are charged \$20/year registration which helps us pay for insurances, music licensing and general administration costs (photocopying etc). Existing customers; this will be added to your accounts shortly. The system is not able to manage this automatically so I will be going through accounts and manually adjusting 'registration fees' and the 'unlimited fee cap' for those that qualify over the next few days of term. Thank you for your patience in this matter.

Several families have also discovered that our system has not yet invoiced them for some classes – I have discovered that those classes were set to bill on the starting date of the class, rather than the enrolment date (so annoying!). I have since amended the system setting but for those it has affected, everything should show in its entirety by the end of week 1.

As always these systems are designed to make things easier but they aren't perfect. I apologise for any inconvenience in this matter and please let me know if you have any concerns about your invoices or accounts.

❖ Invoices

Term One fees are due by the end of Week 2!! Please make sure you advise us of any class changes by the end of week 1 so that we can finalise your accounts. Please check the due 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. We have a new set up for payment plans this year. Payment Plans must have an automatic bank payment schedule set up so that we can regularly have your invoice being paid off. It is no longer an option to pay your invoice whenever it suits you. We are a growing business and we have a lot of overheads and bills which must be paid on time. Your assistance with this matter is greatly appreciated. For further information about payment plans, [click here](#).

My allocated administration days for the studio this year are Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesday (9am-2.30pm). I usually still check email and mobile text messages daily for anything urgent.

❖ **Welcome to new staff**

We have several new staff members joining Bom Funk this year:

Emily Sturgess: Open Technique, Troupes, Jazz, Ballet & Tots

Alicia Boardman: Tap, Ballet, Jazz

Lydia Aislabie: BomFit & School Dance Program

Bridget Northcote: Assistant Teacher

We would also like to welcome back:

Miss Michelle, Miss Hannah, Miss Georgia, Miss Maddie, Riggs, Jacob, Miss Grace C, Miss Grace F, Miss Ashleigh, Miss Natasha & Miss Savannah. We welcome from afar Miss Ella who will remain as Assistant Director and can't wait to visit you all soon from Sydney!

❖ **Student Teacher Program**

Our goal in the Student Teacher Training Program is to nurture a student's desire to teach. We will help students to identify the different aspects involved in being a Dance Educator. The Student Teacher Training program covers two levels: Level One: 10-12 years (Helper) Teacher Training Volunteer and Level Two: 13yrs + (Student) Teacher Training Volunteer. Students who are interested in learning the art of teaching dance are encouraged to apply. Application forms are available from the studio (will also be added to the website soon).

❖ **NEW Uniforms!**

Bom Funk uniforms have had makeover in 2016! The first order of our exclusive new range of custom designed uniforms, to wear to class and events, is due to arrive soon! Order now so you can be one of the first to represent in style! Our new range has been designed and manufactured by [Activated Industry](#). The artist who designed our artwork recently created artwork for 'Pirates of the Caribbean 4' and 'Unbroken' with Angelina Jolie! You can check out the designs on our website: <http://www.bomfunk.com.au/apparel/>

[PRINT YOUR ORDER FORM HERE:](#) We have to meet a set minimum quota for each order so arrival time will vary depending on the item and popularity so please get your order forms in as soon as possible. A number of styles and sizes of our original uniform (still available to order) are currently in stock at the studio so please feel free to drop into our Boutique once we have officially opened (Boutique is almost ready, we will keep you posted!!).



❖ Bloch partnership

Bloch in the City has offered our studio a partnership which will allow our studio to receive a discount in their store. The more classes you attend at Bom Funk = the higher discount you will receive! Once classes are settled in week one, I will advise Bloch of the number of students we have in each category and each student will then receive a Bloch Privilege card:

Pink Card = 5% discount for students taking 1-3 classes per week

Bronze Card = 10% discount for students taking 4-7 classes per week

Silver Card = 15% discount for students taking 8+ classes per week

Gold Card = 20% discount for students enrolled into a full time program and all teaching staff

If you happen to leave our studio or drop a number of classes, your card will be cancelled. If you increase your classes and need to change cards, please let me know. Everyone should receive their cards in approximately week 2 or 3 weeks depending on when Bloch has them ready.

❖ New: Toilet Swap!

Existing families will notice a huge change to our studio bathrooms this year – they have swapped! It might take a bit of getting used! The male toilets are now the toilets that you pass first when entering the hallway and the female toilets are the second. With our female student population increasing, the size of the second bathroom was required to accommodate our female clients more comfortably. We also found that the urinal in the male toilet was unhygienic in design, with no running water and the odour was unpleasant. We have purchased some lockers for students to store their dance attire/shoes and these will be installed in the new female bathroom, replacing the urinal.

❖ New: Student lockers!

Student lockers will be located in the female bathroom. If we have enough male students interested in lockers, we will look into ordering another set for your bathroom, in the meantime, please speak with Miss Kym if you would like to store shoes, etc... at the studio. Hire costs for 2016 are as follows:

- \$40/Year
- \$25/Semester or
- \$15/Term

Hire will be given to 'first in, first served' basis once payment has been received.

If you would like to hire a locker, please complete the ['Locker Hire Form'](#) in the Studio Hire section of our website. Once payment has been received, you/your child will be given a key to their locker. All keys must be returned by the last day of term/semester or year, depending on your time selection (along with an empty locker!) otherwise you will be charged the cost of a replacement key. Bom Funk Dance Studio shall in no way be liable or responsible for any loss of, or theft of, or damage to, any property which is left in the lockers at any time.

❖ Timetable adjustments

We hope not to have to adjust the timetable at all once it is set, but sometimes we are unable to reach sustainable class numbers. If we do have to make minor changes, all parents will be informed and given alternative classes to try. Fingers crossed this will not be necessary however!



Help spread the word about these great classes!



A **Tap Tots class** for 3-6 year olds, runs on Thursdays with Miss Kym, 4.45pm-5.15pm following Dance Tots. A 1hr discount package is also available for those who take both the Dance Tots & Tap Tots classes.

Bom Funk Song & Dance classes – we are looking for students who love to sing AND dance to fill these classes! 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!

Junior/Junior Advanced: Wednesdays, 6pm-6.45pm with Miss Kym & Miss Grace

Senior/Senior Advanced: Wednesdays, 8pm-9pm with Miss Hannah

Boys only & Girls only Hip-hop-o-potamus Tots – Specialist Hip Hop and movement classes for our tots students aged 3-6 years. This class is perfect for the energetic little dancer with attitude and is always a showstopper in our concert!

Hip Hop Junior Advanced: Calling for all Preteens (10-12 years) – There's a Hip Hop class just for you!!

If you are interested in any of these classes, come along this week and give it a try, obligation FREE!

❖ **Adult Classes!**

We have so much fun in **Adult Tap!** Learn a new style, get fit and have a laugh with friends! Wear sneakers to get started. The class is catered for all levels from absolute beginner and up.

Adult Tap Fitness: Thursdays, 6.30-7.30pm

BomFit: We have a wonderful instructor, Lydia, creating a specialised Dance fitness class for our dance parents and adult clients. She is a qualified fitness instructor and dance teacher. We look forward to bringing her on board for our fitness dance classes. If you would like to try an Adult Dance-based Fitness class please complete the quick survey (2min) below to let us know when best would suit your availability so we can schedule a class block this term!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PK82GKV>

❖ **Crews**

Congratulations to all of our crew members this year! Our final invitations will be sent out shortly. It was great to see so many students attend our Crew auditions. Crew students need to complete their Crew contracts and return by the end of Week 2. Please mark all of the performance/competition dates into your diaries NOW!



Crew uniforms will be available shortly to purchase for those new into a crew or for those in a newly created crew. We are in the final stages of finalising our costumes and uniforms for the semester/year. Once this is complete, you will be notified.



❖ DVD Orders

DVDs from 'Far Far Away' arrived just before Christmas. Please ask your teacher or see Miss Kym if you haven't collected yours yet! There are a couple of spares for those who would like to order one still. Order forms are available from the studio or the ['DVD & Photo orders'](#) section of our website.

❖ Please bring a water bottle to class.

The kitchenette area is off limits to students this year. If a student needs to use the microwave or fridge, please ask a teacher for assistance. Bom Funk no longer has glasses available to use either due to excessive mess left constantly last year. Please ensure you bring a drink bottle that you can refill with our drinking fountain.

❖ Showcase Performances

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.

This year we are changing the format of the showcases slightly. The midyear show will remain a showcase but be a little bit more relaxed and low-key. It will still be themed but a number of classes will be asked to wear Bom Funk uniform instead of extravagant costumes to cut down on costs and time involved in this process midyear (when time is limited due to our studio's many performance commitments). This will save you money not having to purchase lots of costumes and you can then get lots of wear out of our new uniforms! The end-of-year show will be a more elaborate event with themed costumes and all the bells & whistles.

We are also looking into bigger venues for the end-of-year concert and the option to have a separate Tots concert. We will keep you posted on these.

Save the date:

Mid-Year Showcase: Saturday 25th June 2016

End-of-year Showcase: Saturday 10th December 2016

❖ Hong Kong Tour 2016

In 10 weeks' time 'J-Squad, Australia' will be touring to Hong Kong for Bom Funk's 2nd International Tour! There is still a lot to do and we look forward to showing you our competed show before travelling overseas. Please let us know if you can help in fundraising in any way between now and then. Students will be selling chocolates to start the year off.

❖ Corner Store

Our local corner store is currently closed and we are unsure when it will re-open. Please keep this in mind when sending students to dance. Woolworths is now the closest shop to purchase food from so we recommend students bring a healthy snack from home instead. Bananas are a fantastic source of

energy should you require a snack in the evening. We are looking into getting a vending machine, depending on how long the shop remains closed.

Dance Birthday Parties @ Bom Funk!

We have started Dance Birthday parties at Bom Funk. To begin with, we are offering 4 fun dance-themed parties to choose from:

- Hip Hop Hooray
- Ballerina Beauties
- Polka Dot Princess Tea Party
- Big Top Birthday



We are already booked for the first 2 weekends in February so if you are interested, please make sure you book ahead! For further information and bookings please visit:

<http://www.bomfunk.com.au/birthday-parties/>

❖ **Coming soon – Hen’s Cabaret & Can Can Parties!**

❖ **Summer Dance Workshops @Bom Funk with Jesse, Joel & Stephen! – register at the studio or email info@bomfunk.com.au**

If you have emailed or left a message, I am hoping to respond to everyone over the next few days. I do apologise for any delay and thank you for your patience!

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

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Danced with Ricky Martin, Ricki Lee & Jessica Mauboy

JAZZ
10am-11am

HIP HOP
11am-12pm

TAP
12pm-1pm

SATURDAY 20 FEBRUARY

BOM FUNK
DANCE STUDIO

All classes are Open age, any dancers welcome to attend!
1 class: \$25 / 2 classes: \$45 / 3 classes: \$60
Email Kym to register: info@bomfunk.com.au

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