



NEWS

Term One 2026

Dear Parents,

It has been an incredible beginning to the year at Dance Chora, with our dancers demonstrating dedication and passion in every class. We've made amazing progress, covering a wide range of techniques in just a short time. We're delighted to welcome new faces to our dance family and to see friendships blossoming among both new and familiar students. Please read on for all the latest news!

Trudi and Amber

STARS OF THE TERM

Congratulations to these exceptional students who have been recognised by their teachers for demonstrating outstanding effort, attitude and commitment in all classes:

Alona Schwartz

Etta Pillemer

Evie Jones-Gardiner

Georgia Cooney

Lila Birrell

Mila Jacobson

Ryder Swartz

Sadie Parris

CHORA COLLECTIVE

We are excited to unveil the launch of our exclusive dancewear brand, Chora Collective, debuting in three phases starting March 2026. Celebrating our cherished classics - leotards, unitards, dresses, tops, pants and sweaters - while elevating each piece with innovative designs and premium materials, Chora Collective is thoughtfully crafted to inspire and empower our dancers like never before! Each piece, designed by Amber & Trudi, combines technical performance with effortless style and is built to last through every rehearsal, class and performance. Chora Collective - conscious craftsmanship, empowering movement and celebrating every body in motion.

If you would like to browse the samples feel free to drop in to DC HQ! You can also pre-order online via our [DC SHOP](#).

DCHQ TURNS ONE!

Our very own headquarters at 48 Frenchmans Rd, is celebrating its first birthday! On Friday 13th March 3pm to 6pm and Saturday 14th March 8am to 12pm, we'll have some yummy treats to celebrate our inaugural year. We hope you can pop in and say hello!

BALLET EXAMS AND CLASS AWARDS - EOI

We are seeking Expressions of Interest from parents of ballerinas from Year 3 through to high school that may wish to participate in the Royal Academy of Dance Ballet Exams or Class Awards who are participating in all prerequisite ballet classes. For further information regarding this process and to submit your EOI by 27th April, please [CLICK HERE.](#)

CHARACTER SHOES FOR GRADE 4 & 5 BALLET

Character dancing is part of the Grade 4 (Year 5) and Grade 5 (Year 6) ballet syllabus. This style of dance incorporates European folk dance elements, emphasizing expressive movements and storytelling. We kindly ask parents to purchase [Cuban heel character shoes](#) for class, as they are essential for supporting the unique and weighted movements of character dance, which ballet slippers cannot provide. Character shoes offer necessary ankle stability and help ensure safety during jumps and turns specific to this style. Check the [DANCE CHORA SECOND HAND ITEMS](#) page for second hand pairs. Hard sole shoes or Mary-Janes can be worn as an alternative for non-examination students. Thank you for helping us keep our students safe during their dance practice!

'DANCE FOR YOUR LIFE' MOVIE PREMIERE 29TH MARCH - SAVE THE DATE

The hit series *Dance Life* from Amazon Prime has a sequel *Dance For Your Life* coming to the movies these holidays and Dance Chora is holding a VIP advance screening on Sunday 29th March at a local cinema, TBC. *Dance For Your Life* follows ten Australian dancers who are given the opportunity of a lifetime to fly to London and audition for a place in a new dance company. What makes the movie even more special is that Max Simmons and Conor Bann-Murray from our DC faculty, along with visiting choreographers Tiana Vassallo and Stephen Tannos, play a starring role! There are lots of exciting details to come, including links to purchase tickets, but for now please save the date. All of our dance community is invited – students, parents, teachers, families, friends and alumni are all welcome. We hope you can join us for a positive celebration of dance!

AUTUMN HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

We are curating an exciting line up of industry professionals to lead our Autumn workshops these school holidays on 16th April & 17th April. The workshops are for students in Year 3 through to high school and will run at DC from 9:30am to 3:30pm each day. Bookings will open soon via our [NEWS PAGE](#) so stay tuned!

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MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TERM 1: ends on Thursday 2nd April.

TERM TWO: Monday 27th April to Monday 29th June.

NB: Our regular timetable will be running on Monday 27th April.

No classes King's Birthday Monday 8th June.

TERM THREE: Saturday 18th July to Friday 18th September.

22nd, 23rd & 24th September: Compulsory Ballet Workshops at DC for Award and Examination candidates. Age group days and times TBC.

TERM FOUR: Monday 12th October to Saturday 12th December.

Showcase Dress and Tech Rehearsals - All students with the exception of Tots - TBC.

Showcase 2026 NIDA Parade Theatre - All students - TBC.

IMPORTANT NOTES REGARDING REGISTRATION & FEES

Your registration is an annual agreement so there is no need to re-register for classes in Term 2, as spaces will automatically roll over for the year. A minimum of 21 days written notice prior to the commencement of a new term is required to withdraw from classes. This notice must be submitted via email to DC. Failure to provide appropriate notice will result in fees being payable for the following term. Term 2 fees will be generated after the Easter long weekend. You can read more about our *Absence, Late Fees, Refunds and Cancellations Policy* in our [PROSPECTUS](#).