



KINGSWOOD SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Thursday 24th July, 2025

Blue Mountains Nepean Dance Festival

Dear Parents & Carers,

This year our Junior and Senior Dance Groups were successful in their audition for the Blue Mountains Nepean Dance Festival. This event is held at the Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre. Your student will be required to perform on the following dates:

- **Dress Rehearsal – Friday 22nd August**
- **Matinee – Wednesday 3rd September**, commencing at 12.30pm
- **Night performance on Friday 5th September**, commencing at 7.30pm.

Please ensure your child can be in attendance for the night performance even if you are not attending. One of the commitments outlined when accepting a position in the dance group was that students would be required to perform outside of school for one evening. Further information about the specific requirements for the performances will be sent home closer to the date.

We will be travelling by bus to the Joan Sutherland Centre on Friday 22nd August for dress rehearsals and to our matinee performance on Wednesday 3rd September. The total cost for bus trips will be **\$25**.

Payments and permission can be given through the Sentral Parent Portal. There is no need to return the note if this option is chosen. Please contact the office if you do not use Sentral Parent Portal and need access. Payments can also be made in the school office by Cash and EFTPOS. All payments and permissions are to be completed **no later than Friday 15th August 2025**. If you need to make payment arrangements, please contact the office before this date.

In accordance with our discipline policy, if your child is on Orange Level, he/she will not be able to attend. Please fill out the permission slip below and return to the school office with your payment.

IMPORTANT TICKET SALE INFORMATION

Tickets for the Blue Mountains Nepean Dance Festival will go on sale on Monday 18th August at 9.00am through the Joan Sutherland Performing and Arts Centre (JSPAC).

Tickets may be purchased in person at the Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre Box Office, Phone (4723-7600) or online on Monday 18th at www.thejoan.com.au (booking fees and limits apply).

Ticket cost is \$25 for Twilight performance and \$15 for Matinee performance.

To avoid disappointment, please book as soon as possible as seats are limited and numbered at the evening performances.

Please ensure you know which dance group your child is performing in.

- Junior Dance Group - 'Singing In The Rain'
- Senior Dance Group - 'How Far I'll Go'

Friday 22nd August - Dress Rehearsal – 12.30pm

- children to arrive at school at normal time and attend class for the morning session.
- children will change into costumes at 11am.
- children will depart school at 11.45am. Transport to the Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre will be by bus.
- children will arrive at school with hair and make-up done (details to be provided prior to the day).
- children will need to bring their water and recess in a plastic bag. There will be no canteen access.
- no quiet activities will be taken as dance groups will watch each other, and other schools rehearse.
- group professional photos will be taken during this time.
- we will return to school at approximately 2.15pm.

Wednesday 3rd September - Matinee Performance – 12:30pm

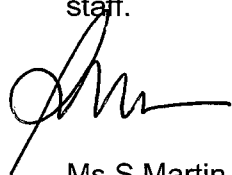
- children are to arrive at school normal time and attend their class from 9-11am.
- children will change into costumes at 11am.
- children will depart school at 11.45am. Transport to the Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre will be by bus.
- children will need to have their hair and make-up done when they arrive at school (details to be provided prior to the day).
- children may bring a small, quiet game to play. (no electronic devices)
- children will need to bring their recess and water in a plastic bag. There will be no canteen access.
- we will return to school at approximately 12.30pm.

Friday 5th September- Twilight Performance- 7.30pm

- children will need to be dropped off at the Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre at 6pm sharp. They will meet their dance teacher outside, at the plaza end of the Centre.
- children will need to arrive in full make-up and costume and have their hair done (costumes will be sent home day of concert).
- children may bring a small, quiet activity (card game, colouring in, board game). (no electronic devices)
- it is advised that they bring some snacks, a drink and a warm jumper.
- parents need to pick their child up **promptly** at the conclusion of the concert, outside at the library end of the JSPAC.
- ***Parents are encouraged to show respect to all dancers at the performances by remaining inside the concert hall for the entire duration of the show, clapping appropriately for all acts and to refrain from calling out or booing at any time.***

Photography

Group photographs will be taken on rehearsal day and there will be opportunities for parents to pre-purchase. Details will be sent home as soon as the school receives the information. There is to be no photography or filming inside the Joan Sutherland Centre. Any persons observed breaching this Child Protection Directive and Copyright Laws will be asked to leave the concert hall immediately by JSPAC staff.



Ms S Martin
Principal



Mrs M Papsdorf
Dance Coordinator



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Permission and Payment Slip for Non-Sentral User

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I give permission for my child _____ of class
_____ to attend the following performances at the Blue Mountains Nepean Dance Festival.

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- **Matinee – Wednesday 3rd September**, commencing at 12.30pm
- **Twilight performance on Friday 5th September**, commencing at 7.30pm.

☐ I understand that my child will be travelling by bus to the DRESS REHEARSAL and MATINEE performances and will be supervised by Miss Fisher, Mrs Papsdorf and Mrs Danastas.

☐ I understand that it will be my responsibility to transport my child to the NIGHT performance.

I enclose a payment of \$25.00 for bus travel.

Payment made by Cash, Cheque or EFTPOS. (please circle)

I have made an online payment and the receipt number is _____

There have been no changes to my child's medical information submitted to the school. ☐ (please tick)

Special needs of my child

of which you should be

aware (eg allergies, medication)

Parent/Carer Name: _____

Contact No: _____

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

Please return to the school office no later than Friday 15th August 2025 if not using the Sentral Parent Portal

NOTE: If permission and Payment are completed through the Sentral Parent Portal, this note does not need to be returned.