DEBBIE RAE DANCERS INFORMATION & POLICY

REGISTRATION -Registration fees are to be paid at time of enrolment. Only registered students will be able to participate in lessons. Registration fee - \$40.00. Family x 2 - \$70.00. Family x 3 or more - \$85.

UNIFORM – All students must wear correct uniform at all times. We firmly believe it is an important part of learning as it encourages a sense of discipline & reminds us of our duty as a student. Both the student & parent are equally responsible for ensuring the child has a neat & tidy appearance at all times. No jewellery, watches or coloured bras are to be worn. NO chewing gum allowed. **Bring ONLY water.**

HAIR - MUST be worn slicked back off the face into a bun at ALL TIMES. (Rule enforced)

STUDIO ATTIRE is available at **FLIGHT DANCE SUPPLIES** in George St, East Maitland.

STUDIO JACKETS are available through the studio.

BABY DYNAMITES – Red/black studio dress with tan ankle socks (stockings for winter). **SUB-JUNIORS & JUNIORS** – Red/Black studio top & shorts with black ³/₄ opaque tights. **INTERMEDIATES & SENIORS** – Black leotard, Red/Black DRD shorts with black 3/₄ opaque tights. **ATTIRE for Ballet, Contemporary & Lyrical** (NB: Students wishing to do a contemporary or lyrical class must do a ballet class).

PRIMARY to GRADE 5 – Red Leotard, Pink Ballet Stockings, Pink Leather Ballet shoes. (Fairies ballet tiny tots may wear their own fairy attire if they wish).

GRADE 6 to ADVANCED – Black Leotard, Pink Ballet Stockings, Pink Ballet or Point Shoes.

BOYS - Black singlet, black Pants, Black Shoes.

NB: AT NO TIME are T-shirts or baggy clothing to be worn during lessons.

SHOES – NB: All jazz shoes must be split-sole. Tiny Tots, Sub-Juniors & Juniors – Camel jazz & tap. Intermediates & Seniors depend on class. Hip Hop & Cheerleading – Jazz Joggers.

EXAMINATIONS- Tap students (tiny tots excluded) will be learning the Glenn Wood Tap Syllabus. Ballet students learn the RAD (Royal Academy of Dance) Syllabus. For those students ready & able to undergo exams this year, parents will be informed. Tap exams are held at the end of term 2, ballet exam dates vary with ages. **NB. Exams are not compulsory.**

PARENTS- AT NO TIME are parents allowed to sit in on classes unless your teacher has invited you to do so. Please respect this rule as it is very distracting & the teacher gets a much better response when mums are not present in class. An open day will be arranged mid-year so you can see your child's progress.

PERFORMANCE GROUPS – Please be aware that you are making a commitment to compete in approximately 3 eisteddfods throughout the year. (early April, July & mid September) As soon as I know exact dates I will be sure to notify everyone. Please be aware

there may be other performances arise throughout the year & in all cases I will give you ample notice....please advise Debbie well in advance if you have booked holidays that may clash with these eisteddfod dates.

NB: **It is compulsory** for Sub-Junior, Junior & Intermediate students & highly recommended for all senior students who are involved in Jazz & Lyrical/Contemporary Performance groups to do at least one ballet class per week.

LYRICAL & CONTEMPORARY CLASSES – Students wishing to do a Lyrical or Contemporary class must do at least one ballet class per week.

PRIVATE LESSONS – Students must attend at least 3 classes if they are having a private lesson & MUST be involved in the same style of class for the specific style of routine they are learning for their solo work.

If for any reason your child is unable to attend their private lesson, please notify Debbie either by email or text msg so she can inform the teacher. All missed private lessons must be paid for. Please note teachers are not expected to take extra lessons out of their normal teaching hours therefore no private lessons can be made up if the student cannot or doesn't attend their allotted lesson time. If the teacher has cancelled a private lesson please notify Debbie & a make-up lesson will be arranged, if not you will be credited for the lesson at the start of the following term. All private lesson fees must be paid in advance with class fees at the beginning of each term or at the beginning of each week. Late fees apply. Music for solos will be emailed at a cost of \$10.00 for time & editing. Always make 2 copies on 2 separate CD's for eisteddfods. If you would prefer your teacher to supply the CD's a fee of \$15.00 will apply.

CONCERT- MID-DECEMBER each year - Involves one dress rehearsal/photo session & one stage rehearsal. We endeavour to keep costume costs to a minimum. We have a Costume Account where you can contribute small affordable amounts weekly towards costumes to ease any additional end of year expenses. In term 2 we ask for a deposit per child per item so we are able to start purchasing costumes. Please note all costume deposits are non-refundable.

Behaviour - All students & parents must behave in a respectable manner towards all staff members of Debbie Rae Dancers both inside the studio & out. Any kind of rude or disrespectful behaviour will not be tolerated & will result in the immediate expulsion of the student.

BY REGISTERING & SIGNING THE ENROLMENT FORM YOU ARE COMMITTED TO ABIDE BY THE RULES & POLICIES OF THE DEBBIE RAE DANCERS.