



2025 Senior Concert Note #2

The Nutcracker & Through the Night Sky
(Grades 4 & Above – Ballet and Contemporary)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Please take the time to read this note carefully, as it contains details you need regarding the PSB End-of-Year Concerts for our Senior students.

SUNDAY REHEARSALS (COMPULSORY)

- THROUGH THE NIGHT SKY (Contemporary): **Sunday, 9 November @ JOLIMONT STUDIOS**
- THE NUTCRACKER (Act 1): **Sunday, 16 November @ JOLIMONT STUDIOS**
- THE NUTCRACKER (Act 2): **Sunday, 23 November @ JOLIMONT STUDIOS**

These full-act rehearsals are essential, as they're the only opportunity to rehearse with the full cast before getting to the theatre. *Please see below for rehearsal times.*

DRESS REHEARSALS (COMPULSORY) – SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER & WEDNESDAY 3 DECEMBER

All Senior Concert students are required to attend the Dress Rehearsals at **Marist Auditorium, Newman College, Churchlands** on **Sunday 30 November** and **Wednesday 3 December**.

- **Sunday 30 November** is a Dress Rehearsal – **correct hair and costumes** required @ **MARIST AUDITORIUM, NEWMAN COLLEGE**
- **Wednesday 3 December** is a FULL Dress Rehearsal - **correct hair, makeup, and costumes** are required @ **MARIST AUDITORIUM, NEWMAN COLLEGE**

Please ensure ALL aspects of hair and costume are correct including tights, shoes and headpieces.

Please allow ample time to get to the school, park, find the theatre, and locate the dressing room that your child is in, and check them in with the parent on roster.

Students should arrive with **hair and makeup done**. Parents are **not permitted to stay in the changeroom** unless they have volunteered as a helper. (If you'd like to volunteer, please see sign-up sheets at reception at **Osborne Park** or **Jolimont** studios in the coming weeks.) Students are NOT allowed to leave before the completion of their rehearsal time as we will often run through everything twice. At the end of the rehearsal please wait in the dressing rooms until you are called to assemble on stage (both students and parents) to receive any costume notes. *Please be prompt for pick-up as we need to keep to our rehearsal schedule and allocated times at the theatre. Please see below for rehearsal times.*





PARENT HELPERS – CONCERT REHEARSALS AND PERFORMANCES

Our dress rehearsals and performances require parent volunteers to assist with changeroom supervision and costume changes. Parent helpers must stay in the changerooms for the duration of the rehearsal/performance to assist all students, not just their own child.

Each class is to have parents rostered to dress and care for students in dressing rooms until the end of their Act for each performance and rehearsal. Please fill in your name on the rosters that will be available on the reception desks in the coming weeks.

In addition to having parents to supervise in the changerooms, we also need some helpers backstage for the students who have quick changes. If you are available to help, please sign up at the front desk.

Male Volunteers:

For privacy reasons, male volunteers are asked to assist in the boys' changeroom or with other backstage support roles (such as helping side stage or front of house), rather than in the girls' dressing areas.

COSTUMES - NO STUDENTS TO ARRIVE AT OR LEAVE THE THEATRE IN COSTUME

- No consumption of food or drinks while in costume. (And please don't bring foods containing nuts due to allergies.)
- All costumes and belongings must be **clearly labelled** with the student's name.
- Costumes should be stored in **suit covers**.
- All students require **clean pink ballet tights and shoes**.
- **No knickers** to be worn under tights.

No lost costumes, headpieces or accessories will be able to be replaced by PSB, so a large washing basket (clearly labelled) is suggested to be used by all students in more than 1 dance. All personal items can quickly be placed in each student's basket and kept in one place.

Parents are asked to make a check list of everything dancers will need i.e.: costumes, hats, spare tights, shoes, props, hair supplies and make-up – you will be receiving a costume note with these details on it.

Some students will be hiring costumes. Please make sure any hired costumes are washed (or drycleaned if required) prior to return.

Costumes are currently in the process of being organised. You will be advised when the balance of your costume costs are available on your child's JackRabbit portal & when payments will be deducted.

Costumes will be distributed in class before the Dress rehearsals.

Please ensure your term fees and costume payments are up to date, as costumes cannot be handed out to families with outstanding balances.



THEATRE RULES

- No parents backstage except during drop-off/pick-up or if rostered as a helper.
- No food or drink to be taken into the theatre.
- No running or touching theatre equipment backstage.
- Students must co-operate with theatre staff and parent helpers at all times.
- No photos or videos are to be taken during performances.
- The Sunday & Wednesday Theatre Rehearsals are closed rehearsals. No viewing permitted.

HAIR AND MAKEUP

If you'd like some visual help, our lovely former students **Emily and Bella** have created tutorial videos on our YouTube channel *The Perth School of Ballet* demonstrating both hair and makeup techniques.

All dances require high bun - no part - no fringes.

Please ensure hair is slick, secure, and performance ready.

Stage Makeup

All students are to wear **full makeup** as follows:

- Foundation (pancake type recommended; not too dark)
- Face powder
- Rouge (rose brown)
- Eyeshadow (browns & creams)
- Mascara (black)
- False Eyelashes
- Lip liner
- Lipstick (red)

Helpful Hints for Buns	
Step 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brush hair neatly into high ponytail.• Use gel or hairspray to make sure there are no untidy hair wispies.• Make sure fringe is back off face.
Step 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Twist ponytail gently & wrap into doughnut shape. Push flat against head. DO NOT USE A BUN DOUGHNUT
Step 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Take hair net or bun net (can be purchased at chemist or hair sections in stores like Big W) and place over bun.
Step 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use bun clips which are V shaped to clip around edge of bun to head.• Use a minimum of 12 clips evenly around bun (think of a clock)

SUNDAY REHEARSALS @ PSB JOLIMONT

SUNDAY, 9 NOVEMBER @ JOLIMONT STUDIOS THROUGH THE NIGHT SKY (Contemporary) 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM		
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	DUSK - OP Fri Full Time Students MIST - OP Sat Contemp Ensemble WOLF - Olivia OWLS - JOL Mon Jun & Int Contemp BATS - OP Tues Adv 1 Contemp STAR DUST - JOL Tues Grade 4/5/6 Contemp SHOOTING STARS - OP Weds Adv Contemp	COMETS - OP Tues Grade 5/Int Contemp ALIENS - OP Thurs Grade 4/ Jun Contemp METEOR SHOWER - OP Mon Grade 6/Inter Contemp ASTRONAUTS - OP Thu Adv Contemp BLACK HOLE - OP Wed Grd 4/5 Contemp ANGELS - OP Thu Inter & Senior Contemp

SUNDAY, 16 NOVEMBER @ JOLIMONT STUDIOS THE NUTCRACKER - Act 1 10am – 2pm		
10am – 12:30pm Scene One The Party	CHILDREN - JOL Tues Grade 4/5/6 Ballet PARENTS - Adult Ballet CHILDREN W/ DOLLS - OP Thurs Grade 4 Ballet SOLDIERS & RATS - OP Sat Int/Adv 1&2 Ballet	CLARA AND FRITZ DROSSELMAYER DOLL, HARLEQUIN, SARACEN MAIDS
12:30pm – 2:00pm Scene Two The Forest	SNOWFLAKES - Full Time Students	SNOW QUEEN SOLDIER

SUNDAY, 23 NOVEMBER @ JOLIMONT STUDIOS THE NUTCRACKER - Act 2 10am – 1pm		
10am – 1pm Scene 1 Kingdom of Sweets	SUGAR PLUM ATTENDANTS - OP Tue Grade 5 Ballet SPANISH CHOCOLATE - OP Sat Character 3 & 4 LICORICE ALLSORTS - OP Weds Grade 4 & 5 Ballet TURKISH DELIGHTS - OP Mon Adv 1 & 2 Ballet CHINESE TEA - OP Wed Inter & Adv Ballet RUSSIAN TOFFEE - OP Sat Character 1 & 2 DANCE OF THE REED FLUTES - OP Tues Int, Adv 1 & 2 Ballet PAS DE DEUX - Clara and Drosselmeyer WALTZ OF THE FLOWERS - Full Time Students	CLARA PRINCE SUGAR PLUM FAIRY DROSSELMAYER FINALE
12:30 pm – 1pm	FINALE – all Nutcracker Act 2 students, leads, and students from Nutcracker Act 1 who wish to participate*	

***Any students not in NUTCRACKER ACT 2, wishing to take part in the concert finale (dancers walk on stage and bow in their group), must be in attendance at rehearsal on Sunday 23 November 12:30pm – 1pm.**

DRESS REHEARSALS @ Marist Auditorium, Newman College

SUNDAY, 30 NOVEMBER @ MARIST AUDITORIUM, NEWMAN COLLEGE
DRESS REHEARSAL (Hair and Costumes required)
8:00 AM – 2:45 PM

8:00 AM	THROUGH THE NIGHT SKY students arrive and get ready
8:30 AM - 10:15 AM	THROUGH THE NIGHT SKY rehearsal
9:45 AM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 1 students arrive and get ready
10:15AM - 12:15 AM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 1 rehearsal
12:15 PM - 12:45 PM	LUNCH
12:15 PM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 2 students arrive and get ready
12:45 PM – 2:45 PM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 2 rehearsal

WEDNESDAY 3 DECEMBER @ MARIST AUDITORIUM, NEWMAN COLLEGE
FULL DRESS REHEARSAL (Hair, Makeup and Costumes required)
3:30PM – 8:30 PM

3:30 PM	THROUGH THE NIGHT SKY students arrive and get ready
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	THROUGH THE NIGHT SKY rehearsal
4:30 PM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 1 students arrive and get ready
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 1 rehearsal
6:30 PM – 7:00 PM	DINNER
6:30 PM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 2 students arrive and get ready
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 2 rehearsal

THEATRE WEEK

Due to a large number of staff and students being at the theatre for rehearsals and performances there are *no classes* on the following days for all students - you have not been charged for these classes.

Wednesday 3 December – no evening classes, only adult classes running

Friday 5 December - no evening classes

Saturday 6 December - only adult classes running

PERFORMANCE DETAILS – Friday, 5 December and Saturday, 6 December

Performances are at **Marist Auditorium, Newman College**.

The performance on **Friday, 5 December begins at 6:00pm** and the performance on **Saturday, 6 December begins at 12:30pm**. All students perform in BOTH shows!

Please note that Newman College is still in session. Please be mindful of this when arriving on Friday evening at 4pm. There may still be many Newman College students and staff around.

As for rehearsals, please allow ample time to get to the school, park, find the theatre, and locate the dressing room that your child is in, and check them in with the parent on roster. Please drop off your children BEFORE their Act starts and pick them up from their dressing room AFTER it has finished, unless they have chosen to be in the FINALE (see note under Sunday Rehearsal 23 November).

THEATRE ARRIVAL TIMES FOR PERFORMANCES

FRIDAY, 5 DECEMBER @ MARIST AUDITORIUM, NEWMAN COLLEGE

4:00 PM	THROUGH THE NIGHT SKY students arrive
4:15 PM - 5:15 PM	Warm-Up Class for THROUGH THE NIGHT SKY students
5:45 PM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 1 students arrive
6:00 PM	Show commences
6:45 PM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 2 students arrive

SATURDAY, 6 DECEMBER @ MARIST AUDITORIUM, NEWMAN COLLEGE

10:30 AM	THROUGH THE NIGHT SKY students arrive
10:45 AM – 11:45 AM	Warm-Up Class for THROUGH THE NIGHT SKY students
12:15 PM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 1 students arrive
12:30 PM	Show commences
1:15 PM	THE NUTCRACKER ACT 2 students arrive

CONCERT VIDEOS

We've taken your feedback from previous concerts to heart and are thrilled to share a new and improved system for this year's concert recordings!

We've partnered with **Polish'd Productions** (known from the *Raise the Barre Festival*) to provide high-quality digital recordings featuring picture-in-picture filming — ensuring every performer gets their special moment on screen.

What's New

- **Digital Downloads – No More USBs!**
Recordings will be available just days after the final performance for direct download.
- **Faster, Easier Access**
Download links will be emailed directly to families - no collection required.
- **Affordable for Everyone**
\$20 per single performer | \$30 per family (two or more performers).
With all families contributing to the cost of recording, every family will receive access to *all* concert recordings (Junior & Senior).
- **Streamlined Administration**
The concert video fee will be **automatically deducted** from your nominated account at the same time as your costume balance. (Date to be advised.) No order form or opt-in required.

This new system is faster, greener, and more affordable (compared to USB at \$50+) and we're confident it will make enjoying and sharing our concert memories easier than ever.

Please note: While PSB is happy to facilitate having Polish'D Productions at our rehearsal, we do not profit from the sale of recordings.

CONCERT TICKET SALES

Tickets will be available from **8am Friday November 21** via Trybooking.

Follow the link <https://www.trybooking.com/DGGKJ> or use the QR code

Venue – Marist Auditorium, Newman College (Churchlands)

- Friday, 5 December – **6:00pm (Evening Show)**
- Saturday, 6 December – **12:30pm (Matinee)**



Please note - There are 2 levels of seating, “Floor Level” and “Tiered”. Please be aware of this when purchasing your tickets. If you have difficulty climbing stairs or require wheelchair access please make sure to select “Floor Level” tickets. There are wheelchair spaces marked and available within the “Floor Level” area.

TICKETS:

\$20 Children (17yrs & under)
\$30 Pensioners
\$40 Adults

We recommend you purchase your tickets as quickly as possible to avoid missing out as we are quite certain that tickets will sell out for all performances.

The **canteen** provided by the theatre will be open before the show and during intervals, offering food and drinks for sale.

This year we are excited to introduce paperless programs for our concerts! We are making the step towards a more environmentally friendly option and taking our programs online! Programs will be made available in the week leading up to the concert.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to our Junior Concert on Saturday 8th November – NO CLASSES, except Adult Ballet, will be running at the studios that day. You have not been charged for these classes.

A FINAL NOTE FROM US

We know concert season can be a busy and sometimes overwhelming time, especially for our younger dancers and their families. Thank you for your support, patience, and enthusiasm as we prepare for another magical production.

Your children work so hard and always shine on stage — we’re incredibly proud of them and grateful for your help in making the PSB Senior Concert such a special experience for everyone.

Yours in dancing,

Janine B, Simone and Janine L