



CORONAVIRUS GUIDELINES – Children and Parents
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- Upon arrival, all children and parents are required to use the hand sanitiser provided by the front door before entering the building. Younger dancers will be met at the front door by a teacher or class assistant and escorted to their studio
- All children over the age of 11 and all adults must wear a face covering when entering reception as per Welsh Government Guidelines.
- Please arrive on time for your class (please do not arrive too early) as we have limited space in reception for students to wait before class. 2mtr social distancing spots are clearly marked on the floor for our dancers aged 12 and over.
- We will be operating a one-way system through the building to avoid congestion. For Studio 1, please queue down the corridor, to the second door by the toilets. When the class has finished, students will leave by the door directly into reception and exit via the front door. Studio 2 will enter via the main front door and will leave from the same exit. All children under the age of 10 must be collected by a parent or guardian.
- All parents entering the Studio to collect uniform or speak to Reception, are required to enter via the front door and exit from the rear fire exit, ensuring that the door is closed behind them to maintain security.
- All classes in both studios will have staggered start and end times to avoid congestion.
- Students are asked to bring the bare minimum to class in terms of personal belongings. Dance bags are permitted but please ensure that these only contain shoes and drinks/ snacks required. Wherever possible, parents are asked to take children's coats home with them to return upon collection.
- Both studios have been sectioned off into 3mtr sqr boxes. This gives us a capacity of 11 people in Studio 1 and 7 in Studio 2, plus the teacher. These rules apply for all classes where children are aged 12 and over. In classes of under 11s, who do not need to social distance, we have set limits of around 20 in Studio 1 and 15 in Studio 2.
- To give more space in the studios and to keep the floors as clean as possible, storage boxes will be provided in reception for students to leave their dance bags/ coats that may be needed. Younger dancers can take these into the studio but all dancers aged 12 and above, are required to change their shoes in reception and leave their outdoor shoes in their storage box. Any valuable items, such as phones or purses, can be taken into the studio and placed on the floor within the corner of their box. Wherever possible, it is advised to leave these items at home as we cannot be responsible for their safety.
- All classes have to have allocated time in between for cleaning. Classes therefore have to start and finish on time, with the room vacated within the 40 minute lesson time. Within the 10 minutes of cleaning, the floor may need to be mopped, all of the communal surfaces wiped down (ie ballet barres, door handles) and the room allowed to ventilate before the next class arrives. Parents are therefore kindly asked to arrive on time for collection.
- Reception staff will clean down all communal areas in reception, including toilets, between every class.
- Please do not bring your child to class at the studio if you, they or anyone within their 'bubble' displays any Coronavirus symptoms or has been in contact with anyone who has contracted the virus. If you have travelled abroad from a country that requires a quarantine period, please refrain from attending class for 2 weeks. No refunds can be given. If a child attends class displaying any symptoms, the parent will be contacted to collect them. If your child were to test positive for Coronavirus, the classes in which they have attended in the week prior, would be transferred online for 2 weeks and no refunds or discounts would be issued.
- We have spoken to our air conditioning supplier and they have confirmed that it is safe for us to use this in both studios due to the nature of the system. We can provide their full response to anyone who would like

to view it. In Studio 1, all doors will be open during and between class. The fans cannot be used within class but will be put on to circulate the air during the 10 minutes of cleaning. For classes in Studio 2, the fire exit can be opened as well as the studio door to allow more air flow. A stair gate will be fitted across the entrance to the fire exit to ensure that the room remains safe for our younger dancers.

- Baby Ballet children (aged 2.5 – 4 years) now have to be accompanied in class by a parent/ carer or older sibling as we feel that these children will need the assistance of an adult. This means our class limit for Baby Ballet is now 11 children. Parents/ carers/ siblings will be responsible for taking the child to the toilet and assisting them with the class content. We will have no class assistants in Baby Ballet other than the teacher. We ask the parents to support and encourage the child to help them engage with the teacher and the class content. Only one parent or over 12 year old is permitted to attend and wherever possible, please leave any younger siblings at home.
- Children from age 4 years and above (Pre Juvenile and above) must be able to go to the toilet by themselves in order to attend classes. Class assistants will escort younger children to the toilet but cannot assist the child within the cubicle. Teachers and class assistants will continue to encourage, support and motivate the children as always but are not permitted to hold hands or sit closely with a child that needs comforting. Parents are therefore asked to ensure that we have an up-to-date emergency contact number available should a child become distressed and need collecting early.
- We will always strive to maintain to social distance in class but should a child require us to tie their shoe, assist them when visiting the toilet etc, we would not let a child struggle. All teachers and class assistants would apply face masks and gloves to assist the child.
- Children are no longer permitted to change for class on site at the studio. Dancers are therefore asked to arrive in their dance uniform with hair neatly tied back.
- Parents are not permitted to wait on site in between classes but are allowed to enter the building should they need to speak to reception to collect uniform etc. New starters will need to enter the building to complete enrolment paperwork. Please ensure that 2 mtr social distancing is maintained at all times.
- If a child has two or more consecutive classes that have a 10 minute cleaning window between, they can wait on site (in reception) between classes. Younger dancers will be supervised by a class assistant. If a child has a class gap that is greater than the 10 minute cleaning window, they are not permitted to remain on site.
- Children attending classes in the Community Centre are required to enter the building via Caffi Isa and then turn left to the main foyer. The class teacher will greet the child and escort them into the hall. At the class ends, children will exit via the main foyer into the main Square, adhering to the one-way system in operation at the Community Centre.

These guidelines have been put in place to keep your children, our teachers and our staff safe. Please read them carefully and if you are unsure on any of the details provided, please let us know.

These are very unusual times and keeping you all safe is our main motivation.