



Mid Wales Dance Academy Seniors Guide for New Students & Parents

Welcome to Mid Wales Dance Academy Seniors! We hope you and your child will enjoy being a part of our dance school. We have put together this guide to help you with the information you need when you join.

Classes

- We prefer for parents not to watch classes, as children are often distracted by parents being in the room and tend to find it hard to concentrate.
- We hold "parents watching" classes during the year so that you can see what your child is achieving.

Uniform

- We ask pupils to wear a uniform so that every child feels the same in class.
- We also use the uniform as a base for costume for our annual show. Also, when the children are older, they will need the right uniform when taking examinations.
- Uniform is available through our online dance store: <https://mwd.mydancestore.co.uk/>
- However, please do not feel you have to buy all the uniform straight away. We are happy for you to feel your child has settled into the class first before you buy, and t shirt, leggings, and bare feet/socks are acceptable for the first few sessions.
- Current students can keep their previous uniform until they have grown out of it before buying the new styles.
- Ballet is a precise and neat artform and for this reason students should present themselves neatly, including tidy hair (in a bun with bun net for girls) and please, no false or coloured nails or false eyelashes for classes.
- Please note that ballet shoes are one size larger than outdoor shoe size.

Getting Here

- All ballet and tap classes are held at Theatr Brycheiniog, Brecon.
- When you arrive at the theatre, you can park in the main carpark, please be aware that this is pay and display.
- Please make sure you register your child's attendance each week. This is a safety regulation so that we know who is in the studio in case of evacuation.
- Please be aware that the theatre is a public building, and children should not change clothes or be left alone in the foyer unaccompanied. Please use the theatre toilets for changing if necessary. Parents are responsible for their children in the foyer until they are taken into class.
- Please take a moment to read through our Child Protection Policy and Terms and Conditions as by signing the registration form, you are agreeing to their terms.

Attendance

- If your child is going to be absent for more than one week, we would be grateful if you could let us know.
- In the event that a child is absent for three weeks in a row, unless we hear from you, we will assume that you no longer want the place, and will offer it to someone on the waiting list for the next half term.

Fees

- Fees are still payable for that half term.
- Fees are payable half termly in advance, and you will be billed before the start of each half term.
- Payment can be made by cash, bank transfer or card - we no longer accept cheques.
- Please note that payment for the half term is payable whether your child attends a class or not, and no refunds can be given.

Facebook

- We have a closed Facebook group - Mid Wales Dance Academy Seniors - where we post regular updates and items of interest. Please send us a request if you would like to join.

We hope you will enjoy being part of our school. If at any time you have any queries or concerns, please contact Katy, the Senior School Principal at seniors@mwda.co.uk.

We look forward to welcoming you soon!

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Katy Sinnadurai', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Katy Sinnadurai
Senior School Principal