

## What to Expect

We have taken all the necessary steps to ensure a safe environment for students and staff at Elevation Dance. Therefore, in line with government requirement and the community centre's policies, things are going to be a little different.

### Drop off and collection

- Changing rooms are not currently in use. Please arrive dressed for class with outer clothing over the top of dancewear.
- Parents are no longer allowed to enter the building and wait. The only exception is for students aged 5 and under on their first class or so. These parents will need to use hand sanitiser when they enter and wear a face mask when walking through the building.
- 5 minutes before the start of the class, students will need to meet at the designated areas outside the building in a distanced queue and wait for their teacher to let them in.
- At the end of the class, teachers will take students to the designated collection area to be met by parents.
- Movement around the building is not possible. Dancers will stay in the same room for all subjects they do.

### Social distancing and hygiene

- Before and after each class, all dancers will be asked to use hand sanitiser.
- During class, we will be using social distancing measures.
- Each room will be divided into 2m by 2m boxes with a gap in between, and each student will be assigned to a space for their class to maintain distancing.
- Each student will also be assigned a space around the room to place their belongings during the class. Please only bring the bare essentials - dance shoes and water bottle.
- Children have been grouped into consistent bubbles of no more than 15.
- Staff will be cleaning throughout the day between bubbles of different children.

### Face masks

- In line with government and World Health Organisation advice, we are not asking our dancers to wear face masks during class.
- If a dancer wishes to wear a face mask, they may do so.

### In class

- With smaller groupings and cleaning breaks throughout the day, some classes have been shortened to 30 minutes from 45 in order to fit all classes in. When restrictions lift, these lessons will return to being 45 minutes.
- Unless your child is due to take an acro exam, acro will be taught alongside modern for the time being, while we have limited time in the day and are unable to physically support our students when learning new skills.
- In line with the requirements of our examining board (the BTDA), bare feet are not allowed.

**Test and Trace and unwell dancers**

- We will be following the NHS Test and Trace scheme.
- If your child shows symptoms of Covid-19 (a high temperature; a new, continuous cough; a loss or change to sense of smell or taste), please don't bring them to class.
- If your child develops symptoms after their class, please let us know immediately. They'll need to be tested for Covid-19 and receive a negative result before they can return to class.
- If your child tests positive, please let us know straight away. We'll then contact the parents of every child in that class. They'll be asked to test their child and let us know the result. Any child that tests positive will need to be kept at home for ten days before returning to class. In this case, a class via Zoom will be provided at the time of the usual class.
- If they test negative, they can attend the class as normal.
- In the case of another lockdown or if your teacher has to self-isolate, classes will be provided via Zoom at the time of the usual class.