

Terms and Conditions - 2026-27

By registering your child with Dynamicmotif Dance & Performing Arts Academy ("the Academy"), you agree to adhere to the following Terms and Conditions. These terms ensure a safe, respectful, and professional environment for all students, parents, and staff.

1. Punctuality

Pupils must arrive 5 minutes before class to prepare. Late arrivals may not be admitted if this disrupts teaching or safety.

2. Uniform & Jewellery

Pupils must wear the official Academy uniform and correct dance footwear as specified on the Academy website or handbook. Hair must be neatly and securely tied back.

No adornments or attachments of any kind (including jewellery, watches, ribbons, bracelets, anklets, necklaces, rings, or other accessories) are permitted unless explicitly authorised by the Principal.

Requests relating to medical, religious, cultural, or disability-related needs should be made in writing. The Academy will consider reasonable adjustments where these can be made safely.

These rules are in place for the safety of students and staff and reflect the Academy's risk assessments and insurance requirements.

Pupils who are not dressed safely or who are wearing unapproved items may be refused participation.

3. Behaviour & Conduct

Respectful behaviour is expected at all times. Serious or repeated abusive, disruptive, or disrespectful conduct may result in suspension or withdrawal of a pupil's place. Any outstanding fees or refunds will be considered fairly in the circumstances.

The Academy operates a **sticker reward system**. Stickers are awarded at staff discretion for positive effort, progress, or behaviour above normal expectations and are recorded on a personal sticker card.

Pupils and parents should note that stickers are not guaranteed at every class and may be withheld where participation or behaviour does not meet expected standards. The system is intended as a motivational tool.

4. Personal Belongings

The Academy is not responsible for loss, theft, or damage to personal belongings.

5. Fees & Payment

Fees are invoiced half-termly at the start of each half-term and must be paid within 14 calendar days of the invoice date.

Payments received after 14 calendar days may incur a £5 late payment administration charge.

Multiple-class discounts only apply per individual student and only for classes of 45 minutes or longer. Discounts do not apply to 30-minute or private lessons. Discounts do not apply across siblings; for example, two children taking one class each will not receive a discount. Discounts are applied to a full half term's fees only - if a class is added after the start of the half term it will be eligible for a discount from the next half term.

Fees are not normally refunded for missed classes or changes of mind once classes have been provided, except where the Academy cancels provision, agrees otherwise, or where required by law.

6. Withdrawal & Notice

Four weeks' written notice (including holidays) is required to withdraw from classes. Fees remain payable during the notice period.

7. Absence & Illness

Fees are not refunded for absences due to illness, holidays, or other commitments.

Parents should contact the Principal regarding long-term illness, injury, disability, or additional needs so that appropriate reasonable adjustments can be discussed.

8. Class Cancellations / Force Majeure

If a class cannot take place, the Academy may offer a replacement class, an online alternative (e.g., via Zoom), a credit, or a refund as appropriate.

Where disruption is caused by circumstances beyond the Academy's reasonable control, such as severe weather, venue closure, government restrictions, or other emergencies, the Academy will act reasonably to provide a suitable alternative where possible.

9. Health & Safety

Dance involves physical activity and carries normal risks, including sprains, strains, bruises, and fatigue. By enrolling, parents and pupils acknowledge these risks. The Academy will take reasonable care to provide safe teaching and suitable arrangements.

Parents/guardians must inform the Academy of any medical conditions, allergies, injuries, disabilities, additional needs, or other circumstances that could affect participation, and must keep this information and emergency contact details up to date.

Where a pupil requires emergency medication, parents/guardians must provide the necessary information and ensure the medication is available and in date. Nothing in these Terms removes any legal rights or responsibilities that cannot be excluded.

10. First Aid

Staff are trained in basic emergency First Aid. By enrolling, you consent to staff administering First Aid and seeking further medical care if needed. Parents must ensure emergency contact details remain current.

11. Physical Corrections

Appropriate professional physical contact may be used where necessary to demonstrate or correct safe dance technique. Contact will be respectful and limited to what is necessary. Pupils are encouraged to say if they are uncomfortable, and parents with concerns should contact the Principal.

12. Mobile Phones

Phones must be switched off or set to silent during classes and used only for emergencies.

13. Food & Drink

Only water is permitted in studios. Snacks may be consumed in designated areas only.

The Academy operates a **no-nuts policy**. Pupils, parents, and carers must not bring nuts or snacks containing nuts to Academy classes, workshops, exams, rehearsals, performances, or show days. As the Academy uses hired and shared venues, it cannot guarantee that any venue is completely free from allergens or traces of nuts.

14. Collection of Children

Children aged 11 and under must be collected from the designated collection point by a parent or authorised adult. Older pupils may leave independently where a parent/guardian has given permission.

Written consent is required for children aged 3-5 to attend without a parent/guardian remaining at the venue.

Access to teaching areas may be controlled during classes where venue arrangements allow. Emergency exits remain available at all times. Parents arriving late may need to wait until the class has finished, as teachers will be supervising pupils.

15. Photography, Filming & Media

The Academy may photograph or film sessions for educational, archival, or promotional purposes where appropriate consent has been given.

Parents will complete a separate media consent form at registration. Media consent can be changed or withdrawn at any time for future use.

Personal photography/filming during classes is not permitted unless authorised by the Principal.

16. Performances, Rehearsals & Events

Performances, rehearsals, exams, workshops, and other events may take place at different hired venues and may have specific arrival, collection, costume, changing-area, photography, or supervision arrangements. Parents and pupils must follow the instructions issued for each event.

The Academy will use appropriate safeguarding arrangements, including child performance licences and council-approved chaperones where these are required by law.

17. Safeguarding

The Academy operates a Children & Adults at Risk Protection Policy. Jackie Nicholas is the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) and Tom Nicholas is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL). Safeguarding concerns should be reported to either of them as soon as possible and will be acted upon in line with the Academy policy and relevant safeguarding procedures.

18. Data Protection (GDPR)

The Academy collects and stores relevant personal data needed for administration, safeguarding, invoicing, communication, and Academy activities.

Information is stored securely and is only used or shared where necessary and lawful, including with trusted service providers or safeguarding/statutory agencies. Further information, including data protection rights, is set out in the Academy's Privacy Notice.

19. Complaints

Complaints should be submitted in writing to the Principal. The Academy will follow its published Complaints Policy (available on the Academy website) and respond within a reasonable timeframe.

20. Statutory Rights

These Terms do not affect your statutory rights under UK law, including the Consumer Rights Act 2015.

Date Agreed: 07/09/26

Agreed by:

J. Nicholas - Principal

T. Nicholas - Vice Principal

L. Curzon - Business Manager