

## **WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN ARRIVING AT KH STUDIOS.**

Dear All,

As we excitedly prepare for welcoming you all back into the studios, we realise that some families and children will be anxious about what to expect and what the differences may be. Our main priority is the safety of everyone attending their dance classes, but also their well-being and that of you, their families. It has been a very difficult few months for us all but we are moving forward with a happy and positive outlook for the future.

There have been changes over lockdown, we have brand new enthusiastic Directors, staff changes and studio changes, but the heart of KH is as strong and as happy as ever and we can't wait to be with you all again x

Here's what you need to know before you arrive for classes...

**PARENTS, SADLY WILL NOT BE PERMITTED IN THE CENTRE UNLESS YOUR CHILD IS YR 1 (6yrs) AND UNDER AND ALL ADULTS ENTERING MUST WEAR A FACE COVERING AT ALL TIMES. PLEASE NOTE ONLY ONE ADULT PER CHILD WILL BE ALLOWED TO COME Into the building WITH THEM**

1. **ENTRANCE ... 'STAGE DOOR'**. This will be at the rear of the building in the Green Man car park. Although we have shelter for bad weather, we advise that you arrive just a few minutes before your class start time, or even stay in the car until it's time to come in.
2. **ALL** will enter via this door, **SANITIZE HANDS** and go straight to the studio their class will be in. They will leave their bag /coat in the studio and have a special heart or star space of their own to dance in.
3. Children must come ready to dance with just their coats and shoe bag, in order that they can change shoes, as there will be no access to changing rooms. Pre-school children and their grown-up will be able to use the corridor chairs to leave coats and shoes on. If parents leave during their child's class, please can we ask you return to the same chair to wait to collect your child at the end of class. These chairs can then be easily managed for cleaning and sanitizing.
4. **NO SATURDAY CHILDREN TO USE THE CORRIDOR TO CHANGE SHOES OR LEAVE COATS.**
5. **ONE WAY SYSTEM**...Please follow the arrows for our one-way system around the building
6. **EXIT...** Everyone will leave classes from the front door where Parents are asked to wait to collect their child. If you are happy for your child to walk to the car or to meet you away from KH , please let us know before so that we are aware. **Hands must be SANITIZED ON LEAVING**
7. **EATING /DRINKING...** Everyone must have their own named drinks bottle. The **kitchen will NOT BE OPEN FOR STUDENTS.** For those students that usually come in straight from school and wait for class, we are asking, where at all possible, if time allows, go home first to change and return ready just in time for your lesson. This will keep numbers of children down in the building. Obviously this will not be possible for some, and if your child needs to wait and have their tea between any classes then social distanced areas will be made available in studio 3. Please make sure your child has a packed picnic tea with them and let us know in advance if your child will need to do this so that we can ensure we have enough space.
8. **TOILETS...** Will be used as before with all the safety measures of extra cleaning, hand washing in place. These will be thoroughly sanitized and disinfected throughout the day and last thing in the evening.
9. **PERSONAL ITEMS/EQUIPMENT...** All dance bags and personal belongings must be taken home after your classes have ended, this includes the huge PBT balls. (Sorry !!) Can we also ask that ALL your rubbish is taken home with you too.

For now, we do not mind at all if your child does not have the correct uniform for each different class. As long as they come ready and tidy to dance, be it Ballet, Jazz or Tap, they can keep the same things on. The happiness and well-being of these young people is more important to us than what uniform they have on! The same applies to shoes, as no doubt everyone will have grown out of all they had before, don't worry, there is no rush for ballet and tap shoes until everyone is settled back and happy with everything, but please make sure you do not have bare feet, socks or slippers will be acceptable.

IF any secondary age child feels happier wearing a face covering to dance in then that's absolutely fine too, its entirely up to each individual family as to what you want to do. Public Health Guidance advises against children under 11 wearing masks.

Please spend a little time to click on the you tube link to watch the video with your child and put them at ease, and to familiarise them with the new routine. We want you and especially your child to be happy and comfortable with all the measures we have in place so that we can all enjoy our classes and keep safe at the same time.

If you want to know more about what we have in place to ensure the safety of everyone we will be putting our Full Risk Assessment onto our website the week before term starts.

With the new restrictions for Covid we are currently working on a new payment system to ensure we are a cashless organisation. You will be sent details of how this will work as soon as we have everything in place..

Thank you for your continued patience and support...