

Hello, everyone

We are only two and a half weeks from the end of term! Remember that, as we started term a week late we have extended the term by a week so that we still had a ten week Term 3. While we can't go away on holiday at least we can enjoy the lovely spring weather outdoors and have some much needed tech-free time.

After listening to Daniel Andrews' press conference yesterday and on reading the road map to recovery today it looks like we won't be able to return fully to the studio until November 23 at the earliest, providing all requirements are met and we go into the final stage of the road map. At present there is no industry specific information to help guide us in understanding when and how we can reopen and we expect this information to be provided in the coming weeks. We will keep you updated on our plans as soon as we can. We will set up Term 4 for online delivery over Zoom and provide you with Zoom links the week before classes resume. While this is not what anyone wants, there is a glimmer of hope that we may be able to run an outdoor concert in December, subject to social distancing and maximum gathering sizes etc. Plan B is a video concert if the gathering or safety of an audience is not possible.

Term 4

Please note our amended Term 4 dates:

Monday 12 October - Saturday 12 December (Note that our term dates are now out of step with Academic Schools)

If you would like to make any changes to your Term 4 enrolment please let us know as soon as possible so we can update everything before invoices are raised on Friday 25 September. Free classes will be removed from your enrolment so you are not charged for the classes in Term 4. You will still remain in these classes in Term 4 unless you tell us otherwise.

If your financial situation has changed please let us know; we are able to offer some assistance. Please also let us know if you would like to make your term fee payment via instalments. Zoom links for Term 4 classes will only be sent to students who have paid term fees in full or entered into a payment arrangement with us.

Returning to the studio may mean that there are some timetable changes; we will try to keep these to a minimum and let you know as soon as we can.

Housekeeping

- Remember the last day of term is Saturday 26 September.
- Term 4 Dates: Monday 12 October - Saturday 12 December
- Recording of dances for Term 3 video performance will take place during the last week of classes (Monday 21 - Saturday 26 September) and we will run "dress rehearsals" during the second to last week of term so we can practise both the dances and the technical aspects. (Monday 14 - Saturday 19 September)
- Zoom has recently made some changes. Please make sure you install the update so that you are receiving the optimum service.

- Costume Design Competition - we have some amazing, creative ideas thus far. Remember to get yours in on time; the deadline is 5pm Saturday 19 September. We have some lovely prizes from Bloch for our winning entries.

Looking to the future...

As we look to the future we know that our online presence will be more important than ever and ask for your help by taking a few moments to do one (or all) of the following depending on what platforms you like to engage with:

- Write us a [Google review](#) (you will need a gmail or google account to be able to do this)
- Follow, like, review, comment or share with us on Facebook
- Tag us or use the hashtag #KSODathome on Instagram
- Email us photos or a testimonial that we can post and share

Here are a few ideas to get you started. Feel free to use any of these or parts of them:

- My daughter/son has been dancing with KSOD for ...years. In that time, s/he has...
- Our family has been part of KSOD for ... years. Over this time, we've been....
- We love being part of the KSOD family because...
- During lockdown, we danced online with KSOD. This has been ...

We want to finish this mailout by saying how appreciative we are for your ongoing support and we thank you for sticking with us over Zoom.

Stay safe.