

Encore End of Year Concert 2026

Kawana Parent Guide

Saturday 5 December 2026 | Flinders Performance Centre, Matthew Flinders Anglican College

1-47 Stringybark Road, Buderim QLD 4556

Your key dates	Times
Compulsory dress rehearsal – Sunday 29 th November	11:30am arrive – 2:00pm pickup
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Concert Day – Saturday December 5 th	Students arrive 4:00 pm
Show starts	5:00 pm
Approximate finish / collection	7:15 pm

We cannot wait to see our dancers celebrate their year on stage. Please read and save this guide for rehearsal and concert day.

Why do we have separate concerts for separate studio locations?

Last year, our concerts sold out and some families missed the chance to buy tickets. We have separated the 2026 performances into Moffat Beach and Encore School, Aura, and Kawana so more family and friends can get tickets and watch their dancers on stage. Students are now used to having a huge full audience so to be sure to get in quickly and get your tickets (ticketed seating) and pass on to all your family and friends who can come along to support your dancer! This also means students can come along and watch a different location and be inspired!

Practice at home and keep up to date

Students can practise their routines with their concert music at home:

Kawana concert music: [Open link](#)

We email important updates and also post them at www.encorearts.com.au/notes. If you think you missed an email, please check the blog.

Compulsory dress rehearsal

Sunday 29 November is our closed full dress and technical rehearsal at Flinders Performance Centre. Only students, teachers and staff attend. Every performer needs this chance to practise on the stage and learn what will happen on concert day Saturday December 5th.

Please arrive at your allocated time in your first costume, with full hair and makeup complete. Bring all remaining costumes, accessories, shoes, stockings, snacks and a labelled water bottle. Sign your child in at their assigned dressing room and collect them from the same point.

Flinders Performance Centre, Mathew Flinders 11:30am arrive – 2:00pm pickup

Backstage care and collection

Once signed in, students stay with Encore staff in their assigned dressing room. Our team helps younger dancers, particularly those in Prep to Grade 3, with costume changes and guides them to and from the

stage. Colouring in and other activities keep them happily occupied between routines, so parents can relax and enjoy the show. Children will be with their dancing friends and Encore staff throughout.

Please collect your child from the same dressing room sign-in point after the show. All students stay until the finale and final bow.

Costumes and concert expense

Costume costs were spread across the year: a \$45 deposit per costume on Term 2 invoices and a \$40 balance per costume on Term 3 invoices. The Term 4 invoice includes a \$65 concert expense per family. These amounts exclude GST.

The concert expense includes a professional video on USB, access to download the professional stage photographs, and a participation trophy for each child.

Concert costumes are handed out only once the family account is settled. If you are on a payment plan, please check that your balance will be cleared before rehearsal.

Pack costumes for each routine

Students should arrive at rehearsal and concert day wearing the costume for their first appearance in the running order. Pack later costumes with their matching shoes and accessories. Label every item and choose a bag your child can manage. Practising changes at home helps them feel confident backstage.

Costume packing tutorial: [Open link](#)

Concert photos and video

Professional stage photography is included in your family concert expense. You must still pre-register your email so the photographer can send your gallery after the show. Please register as soon as the link is available, even though the photographs have already been paid for.

Photo Pre-Registration Link: [Open link](#)

The photographer will email gallery access when the images are ready. Your professionally filmed concert will be supplied on USB.

Tickets are coming soon

We cannot wait to welcome family and friends to cheer on our dancers. Please keep an eye on your emails for the ticket announcement. We will also post it at www.encorearts.com.au/notes. Each concert has its own tickets, so choose the correct show when booking.

TICKETS ON-SALE Monday 12th October 9:00am, [PRICES AND BOOKING LINK HERE](#)

Program finale and Term 4

We will email the program and order of appearance before the show and post it on our website. Keep it on your phone or print a copy. Every student performs in the finale and final bow wearing full Encore uniform, with no shoes or stockings required. Each child receives a trophy at the end.

Classes continue on the normal timetable in regular dance clothes from Monday 30 November to Friday 4 December. Concert day, Saturday 5 December, is the final day of Term 4.

Hair and stage makeup

Arrive at rehearsal and concert day with hair and makeup complete. Hair is a secure low bun with a centre part, hair net, pins and hairspray. Stage makeup includes red lipstick, bright blush, brown eyeshadow and defined brows, plus mascara or false lashes where suitable for your child.



Hair and makeup tutorial: [Open link](#)

Running order and footwear

Use this order to identify your child's first costume and pack their changes. Tan matte means dance stockings, not everyday hosiery. Song titles and shoe details in red are still being confirmed.

#	Group and routine	Song / title	Shoes	Stockings
1	Open Comp Team Acro	Nobody's Girls	Bare feet	None
2	Pre Junior - Ballet	My Magic Tutu	Pink ballet shoes	Pink ballet
3	Senior - Pointe	Arabian Nights	Approved pointe shoes	Pink ballet
4	Intermediate - Ballet	The 5th Element	Pink ballet shoes	Pink ballet
5	Junior - Jazz	Afro Circus	Black jazz shoes	Tan matte
6	Senior - Ballet	Box of Stones	Pink ballet shoes	Pink ballet
7	Intermediate – Lyrical/Contemporary	Grandma's Hands	Bare feet	None
8	Junior - Comp Team B	Grannies	Tan jazz shoes	Tan matte
9	Senior - Comp Team B	The Kids Are Coming	Bare feet	None
10	Intermediate - Acro	Thriller	Bare feet	None
11	Pre Junior - Hip Hop	Low	Black runners	None
12	Senior - Acro	Hanging Tree	Bare feet	None
13	Junior - Comp Team A	Toy	Tan jazz shoes	Tan matte
14	Intermediate - Jazz	Circus	Black jazz shoes	Tan matte
15	Senior - Heels	Roxanne	Black dance heels	Tan matte
16	Junior - Hip Hop	Pass That Dutch	Black runners	None
17	Intermediate - Comp Team A	Scars	Bare feet	None
18	Senior - Jazz	7 Nation Army	Black jazz shoes	Tan matte
19	Junior - Ballet	Flowers	Pink ballet shoes	Pink ballet
20	Pre Junior - Jazz	Juice	Black jazz shoes	None
21	Senior - Comp Team A	Vogue	Tan jazz shoes	Tan matte
22	Intermediate - Hip Hop	Beauty and a Beat	White runners	None
23	Junior - Acro	Survivor	Bare feet	None
24	Senior - Hip Hop	Blue Gangster	White runners	None
25	Intermediate - Comp Team B	Men in Tights	Black jazz shoes	Tan matte
26	Junior – Lyrical/Contemporary	Music Box	Bare feet	None
27	Senior – Lyrical/Contemporary	Collapsing Sun	Bare feet	None
28	Pre Junior - Acro	ET	Bare feet	None
29	Open Hip Hop Crew	Encore Crew	Black runners	None
30	All students - Finale	Finale	Bare feet	None

Rehearsal and concert day checklist

- ☐ Purchase viewing tickets for family and friends.
- ☐ Check my child's arrival and collection times and assigned dressing room.
- ☐ Dress my child in the costume for their first routine.
- ☐ Complete the centre-part low bun and stage makeup before arrival.
- ☐ Label and pack every later costume and accessory.
- ☐ Pack the correct shoes and stockings for each routine.
- ☐ Pack full Encore uniform for the finale.
- ☐ Pack snacks and a labelled water bottle.
- ☐ Check the running order and practise with our concert music.
- ☐ Pre-register my email for the professional concert photos.
- ☐ Collect my child from their assigned dressing room after the finale.

We cannot wait to celebrate all our dancers and everything they have achieved this year!