



Welcome to Old Abbey Dance Studios.

The studios were purpose built 10 years ago by us and our facilities include 3 large studios with one Drama Room and a Coffee Shop with waiting area and The Dance Clothes Shop. We offer the only purpose-built facility for dance in the Northeast of the country and run classes in Dance / Acting / Singing and Musical Theatre for ages 3 and upwards.

Tracey has been teaching dance and drama for nearly 30 years and is the co-founder of Kidkast, established in 1999. Kidkast has seen much change in its 18 years however the focus has remained steadfast in providing the very best education in stagecraft. We now employ 15 teachers and run over 100 classes per week. Old Abbey is our hub and most of the classes run from here.

From our inception our philosophy has remained unchanged and is simply "*Learning in a no pressure environment*". Our year runs from September to June and is split into 4 terms, 3 ten week and one eight week term. We have three shows per year; our drama students and our Collon School perform their show during February and our big end of year show for all other students takes place in the TLT over the June bank holiday weekend of each year. There are many other impromptu performances during the year for different events that we are asked to take part in, for example St Patricks Day Parade is a big date in our calendar.

Every year many of our students continue their dance and drama education to third level both in Ireland and the UK and indeed many of our students now perform and teach at local, national and international level. We run syllabus (exam) classes in Ballet and Modern Dance affiliated with the ISTD and Drama is affiliated with the Leinster School of Music and Drama.

Education is at the forefront of Kidkast and we are very proud to have received official recognition as an educational/vocational body in 2016, an accolade that has taken hard work, dedication and patience to achieve.

Please feel free to look around and do not hesitate to ask us if you have any questions. Don't forget to become a friend on Kidkast Facebook page for all the gossip.

Regards

Tracey and John