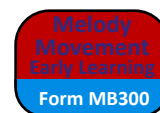


Melody Movement® Early Learning Pre-registered Teacher Application



Introduction

In 2006 Melody Movement Early Learning was launched as a pre-school teaching programme. The range of syllabi offered has now grown to a full curriculum of dance and movement, ranging from toddler classes at the Little Bear Feet entry level, up to Junior Ballet for children aged 6 plus.

Melody Movement Early Learning has previously only been supplied and taught by members of the recognised dance associations to use as a licensed teaching product. However, we recognise there are individuals who are not members of a recognised dance association, but have a wide dance experience and a true passion for dance, music and movement to share with children. The next step in the development of Melody Movement Early Learning has been to create a training programme that will embrace and nurture those individuals so they too can enjoy and share in the 'world of Melody Bear'.

Teachers who do not hold a recognised teaching qualification, but have a **suitable dance background** and wish to teach Melody Movement Early Learning classes, can apply to become a pre-registered teacher and join our Teacher Training Programme. Each application will be judged on a case by case basis and we recommend applicants give as much detail as they can about their dancing and previous work experience background.

A successful applicant may purchase the Little Bear Feet or Melody Movement Class-in-a-Box and use the resources whilst working towards their Melody Movement Early Learning (MMEL) Level 1 Teaching Certificate.

The MMEL Level 1 Teaching certificate is a distant learning programme. We understand that teachers are often juggling work and families or may live some way from our headquarters to attend training sessions and with this in mind, we are offering a programme that fulfils different requirements and circumstances.

Pre-registered teachers will have one year from the start date of their registration to successfully complete the MMEL Level 1 Teaching Certificate, completing the Portfolio of Study sections 1 to 6 and the External Teaching Assessment.

During this year, teachers on the programme may advertise themselves as pre-registered Melody Movement teachers. Pre-registered teachers unable to meet the Teaching Certificate requirements at the end of the year will not be able to renew their Melody Movement Early Learning licence permitting them to teach and promote the syllabi.

Support and guidance both in teaching and business practices will be provided to teachers on the programme throughout the year via email and telephone from our trained team at the Melody Bear HQ. Optional one-to-one private coaching at the Melody Bear HQ can also be arranged.

Please read carefully through the stages of pre-registration on the attached sheet and send in your application form to the address shown below.

Please ring 01480 469711 if you would like to discuss your application.



Application to join the MMEL Level 1 Teacher Training Programme

To apply, please complete the attached pre-registered teacher application and send to Melody Bear HQ, Unit 33 Stephenson Road, St Ives, Cambs PE27 3WJ, together with your supporting evidence. Supporting evidence should include any relevant qualifying certificates, references or letters of recommendation. Your application will be assessed and our offices will contact you within 21 days.

Successful applicants with a high degree of experience and supporting evidence will be able to move directly to Stage 1. Applicants with less experience may be asked to choose one of the following options to complete their application: Option 1: Attend an interview at the Melody Bear HQ, **OR**, Option 2: Join in with a Melody Movement class with a member of the Melody Movement Early Learning Assessment Team **OR**, Option 3: Submit a short DVD showing yourself dancing or teaching.

Successful applicants will be sent an acceptance letter and details of how to proceed with the training programme. Unsuccessful candidates may request feedback on their application.

Stage 1: Teacher Training Manual and Consultant Contact

Fee: £85.00 + VAT (£102.00)

Payable on receipt of accompanying invoice included with acceptance letter.

Teacher training consultant contact commences and the Teacher Training Manual is dispatched.

Purchase your Class-in-a-Box

Fee: Class-in-a-Box: £220.00 + VAT (£264.00)

Successful applicants may purchase either the Little Bear Feet Class-in-a-Box or the Melody Movement Class-in-a-Box as detailed on pages 4 and 8 of the Melody Movement Early Learning catalogue with a view to teaching the classes whilst working towards the Teaching Certificate. The Class-in-a-Box fee includes your licence to promote Melody Movement Early Learning classes as a pre-registered teacher and your pre-registered certificate is allocated.

Full support and advice by phone and email will be provided by our staff during your pre-registered period.

The MMEL Level 1 Teaching Certificate will be awarded to pre-registered teachers meeting the following assessment targets listed below. Portfolios of study and teaching assessments are to be presented between 9 and 12 months following the start date of your pre-registration period.

Stage 2: Submit Portfolio of Study

Fee: £65.00 plus VAT (£78.00)

Payable when submitting your Portfolio of Study with Form MB400, included in your training manual.

The training manual provides full details of how to prepare and what to include in your Portfolio of Study which should be a record of your experiences, study and teaching practice during the year. Your Portfolio should include:

1. A brief introduction about yourself, personal targets and goals met during your year's programme.
2. Summary of your study notes from your Teacher Manual.
3. Melody Movement or Little Bear Feet class plans including class learning targets and class observations.
4. Evidence of any relevant experiences and training taken during the period.
5. Copy of your class policies.
6. Essay of your choice. 'Title' examples are provided in the teaching manual.

Stage 3: External Teaching Assessment

Fee: £55.00 plus VAT (£66.00)

Payable when submitting your DVD to Melody Bear HQ with Form MB500, included in your training manual.

An assessment of your teaching skills by submitting a DVD showing a recording of yourself teaching a Melody Movement class with an accompanying written summary or oral commentary of your class plans, targets and class observations from the DVD. Teachers wishing to arrange their Teaching Assessment at the Melody Bear HQ as an alternative to the DVD option should telephone our offices to discuss further.

Melody Movement® Early Learning
Pre-Registered Teacher Application Form
Melody Movement Early Learning (MMEL) Level 1 Teacher Training Programme



Section A:

First Name Surname.....
Title Date of Birth

Home address:

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Telephone: Email:

Section B:

Qualifications: Please outline your qualifications including any dance examinations

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Section C:

Experience and dance background: Please outline any additional experience and training you feel relevant for your application: Please attach additional sheets if needed.

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Section D:

Please list the supporting evidence you are enclosing with your application: Eg, CV, certificates of courses attended, any references or letters of recommendation. Photocopies will be accepted.

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Section E:

I declare that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge as at (date).

Signed

Please return your application to: Teacher Training, Melody Bear HQ, Unit 33 Stephenson Road, St Ives, Cambridgeshire PE27 3WJ. Remember to include your supporting evidence. If you wish to have any certificates returned, please include a stamped addressed envelope.

Please ring 01480 469711 if you would like assistance in completing your application form.

For Office Use: Application No. Received Returned

