



Ballet Club at Goodrich School

General guidelines

Children will arrive at the hall after school.

It is a good idea to provide them with a light snack and a drink (eg a piece of fruit or cereal bar and a yogurt drink – please avoid chocolate, confectionery, sugary drinks and large snacks such as sandwiches or pasta).

Please make sure that each item of ballet kit is labelled and that bags are checked every week. Always leave a little purse with spare headbands/hair grips.

Uniforms

We will provide uniforms for all children at a reasonable price. These will be available for purchase at any time. Strictly speaking, a leotard supplied by the school is not compulsory, but please note that these will be used for presentations and shows. Having a uniform will also avoid inconveniences, disappointment and one-upmanship for the children. In particular, ballet items bought in shops are sometimes attractive, but inappropriate for class activities. For example, tulle skirts or beaded and decorated tutus impede movements and are easily breakable.

If you already have a leotard, please ask the teacher for advice.

As for shoes, socks, and tights, feel free to purchase them at any store. John Lewis, Peter Jones, Trotters, and Decathlon all offer these items at affordable prices. Ballet shops in Central London (Freed's, Bloch, Dancia) sell professional items which are not necessary for children's classes.

Term dates and communications

You will receive a general date schedule once registered, plus a term schedule and your invoice before or after holidays. Most of our communications are sent via email. Please make sure you read our newsletters carefully. Do let us know if you would rather have paper reminders.

Free School Meals

If your child receives free school meals from Goodrich School, we can offer you some extra support. If you wish to discuss this, please contact Ellen Mumford at emumford@goodrich.southwark.sch.uk.

Parents' Day

We will schedule a watching day twice a year – at Christmas and at the end of the summer term. At other times, for health and safety reasons, parents are not allowed to remain in the hall during classes.

Payments and cancellation

The deadline for payments is half-term. Late payments will incur a £10 charge. Payments not settled by the end of the term will incur a £50 charge. Cash, cheques (in a sealed envelope, bearing the child's name), Paypal (4% surcharge), and bank transfer are all acceptable forms of payment. Please make your cheque payable to Arianna Casciaro. Should you wish to cancel, you will need to give notice before the end of the term or fees for the next term are fully payable. Please make sure you have read and fully understood these T&C