

SLDS LOWER SCHOOL UNIFORM LIST (updated January 2025)

Continuing students are expected to be wearing the correct uniform from the start of term and by the half term break, new students must also be wearing the correct uniform.

We sell Option 1 Melody Movement uniform (suggested for girls) from our studios office. Please contact your administrator to purchase for your child before the start of term.

Most other uniform items and all dance shoes must be purchased from a specialist dance shop. 'Duo Dance' in Herne Hill is the closest - <https://duodance.co.uk/> 020 7274 4517.

We hold second hand uniform sales at the studios on the last Sunday before term starts in September. Please see our website for more information about our second-hand uniform sales.

Please note:

- No jewellery is allowed (except small stud earrings when ears have just been pierced)
- Dance shoes should not be worn outdoors
- Please ensure your child's name is on each piece of clothing
- Body or hair oil should not be worn (it makes the floor slippery and dangerous)
- Vest and pants should not be worn underneath any leotard or ballet dress
- SLDS sweaters can be ordered using the below link for information:
<https://southlondondancestudios.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/SLDS-SWEATER-ORDER-FORM-09082023.pdf>
they may be worn for warm ups in classes only (no other sweaters are permitted to be worn in classes except Option 2 for Melody Movement)

MELODY MOVEMENT

Option 1 (suggested for girls)

- White ballet tutu skirt and white $\frac{3}{4}$ length sleeve cardigan (available to purchase from our studios office for £22.00)
- Any **white vest and pants** or **white footless bodysuit**
- Bare feet

Option 2 (suggested for boys)

- Plain black shorts or tracksuit bottoms
- Plain black sweater (optional)
- Any **white vest** or **white footless bodysuit**
- Bare feet

NURSERY DANCE AND PREPARATORY DANCE & TAP

Option 1 (suggested for girls)

- Roch Valley 'Medley' pink leotard dress (only available from Duo Dance)
- Optional: pink cardigan to match the dress
- Ballet pink ballet socks
- Ballet pink leather full-sole ballet shoes with pink elastic
- Starlight black tap shoes with velcro fastening and standard ball and heel taps (*Preparatory only*)

Uniform notes for option 1

- *If your child is very cold in the studio, they may wear ballet pink seamless ballet tights - no other tights though please! We do, however, prefer ballet pink ballet socks. Children should not wear socks and tights at the same time!*
- *Please be careful when washing the pink ballet dress as they 'pick-up' colours easily*
- *Vests and pants should not be worn under the ballet dress*
- *Long hair should be neatly tied back*
- *Any head band should match the leotard and should be kirby gripped on otherwise the band will slide off*
- *Any hair elastic should match hair colour*

Option 2 (suggested for boys)

- White tight fitting vest/T-shirt or leotard (must not have RAD logo)
- Black shorts
- SLDS sweater (optional)
<https://southlondondancestudios.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/SLDS-SWEATER-ORDER-FORM-09082023.pdf>
- Short white ballet socks
- Black leather full-sole ballet shoes with crossed black elastic
- Capezio Tic Tap Toe or Bloch lace up black tap shoes (*Preparatory only*)

Uniform notes for option 2

- *Vest/T-shirt must be ironed and long enough to stay tucked into shorts when arms are lifted up above the head*

PRE-PRIMARY BALLET & TAP (I) AND PRIMARY MODERN (I) / (II)

Option 1 (suggested for girls)

- ISTD 'Molly' style by Roch Valley in lavender cotton lycra (not RAD or Katz)
- Roch Valley MATILDA style elasticated chiffon skirt in lavender - do not buy smaller than 22-24" as the length is too short - buy 22-24" and then sew tucks at the sides if it's too big for your child, to ensure it fits tightly on the waist, not hips.
- 'Nicky' style crossover by Roch Valley in lavender cotton lycra
- Ballet pink ballet socks
- Ballet pink leather full-sole ballet shoes with pink elastic
- Starlight black tap shoes with velcro fastening and standard ball and heel taps (*Preparatory only*)

Uniform notes for option 1

- *If your child is very cold in the studio, they may wear ballet pink seamless ballet tights - no other tights though please! We do, however, prefer ballet pink ballet socks. Children should not wear socks and tights at the same time!*
- *Regarding the lavender leotard, please make sure the label is on your child's left when they put it on (i.e. the front 'scoop' is higher than the back which is the opposite way around to a normal vest)*
- *Vests and pants should not be worn under the leotard*
- *Long hair should be neatly tied back in a classical ballet bun*
- *Any head band should match the leotard and should be kirby gripped on otherwise the band will slide off*

Option 2 (suggested for boys)

- White tight fitting vest/T-shirt or leotard (must not have RAD logo)
- Black dance/cycling shorts (no pockets or padding)
- SLDS sweater (optional)
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- Short white ballet socks
- Black leather full-sole ballet shoes with crossed black elastic
- Capezio Tic Tap Toe or Bloch lace up black tap shoes

Uniform notes for option 2

- *Boxer shorts should not be worn under dance/cycling shorts (only fitted pants)*
- *Vest/T-shirt must be ironed and long enough to stay tucked into shorts when arms are lifted up above the head*

JUNIOR FUNKY MOVES

- White t-shirt
- Black tracksuit bottoms or jazz pants
- SLDS sweater (optional)
<https://southlondondancestudios.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/SLDS-SWEATER-ORDER-FORM-09082023.pdf>
- Black socks
- INDOOR only trainers - for H&S reasons, your child must wear a pair of trainers which they ONLY use indoors

Uniform notes

- *Long hair should be neatly tied back off face*