



Jewellery Policy

Ratified by the Board of Governors

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In the interests of the health, safety and welfare of pupils no jewellery of any kind may be worn in school or when taking part in school activities in another venue.

Wristwatches are not considered to be items of jewellery and may be worn normally, but must be removed for PE and similar activities.

Class Teachers have a duty to draw the policy to the attention of their pupils as and when necessary. The dangers of wearing jewellery will be highlighted on such occasions.

Staff and Governors have agreed that jewellery is not acceptable for wearing during the school day for several reasons. These being:

- Health & Safety both during PE and in the playground;
- Equality/Gender issues for both boys and girls;
- The huge focus we have in school on the development of Fundamental Movement Skills and play/games in the playground make it unsafe;
- The Play Park Area and associated activities.

Breach of Policy

Children who persist in wearing jewellery to school will be requested to adhere to the following:

Wearing of bracelets, necklaces, etc.

Pupils should be requested to remove them and put them safely in their schoolbags.

Piercings

Older pupils should be requested to remove them and place them in safety.

For younger pupils, it might be more appropriate to advise parents at home time, although this does not exclude a discreet mention in class/school.

For reasons of Health and Safety, pupils with piercings cannot take part in PE or other physical activities including certain playground activities at Break and Lunchtime. As this represents a breach of school policy, they may not be permitted to be involved in after-school activities, certain Educational Visits.

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Preliminary to Stage 1

It should be explained to older pupils about the dangers of wearing jewellery and that they are in breach of school rules. If appropriate, a parent could be contacted. In the case of younger pupils a parent should be advised about the safety aspect and the breach of school rules.

Stage 1

If discreet verbal approaches do not have the desired effect, the Class Teacher should issue the Stage 1 Letter and record the fact that it has been issued. The letter confirms what has already been stated orally to the parents [or older pupil].

Stage 2

If there is no positive outcome after one week, then the Vice-Principal will issue a Stage 2 Letter and record the fact that it has been issued. The letter will comment in stronger terms about health and safety issues and the continuing breach of school policy.

Stage 3

If, after a further week, there is still no compliance with school policy, the Principal will issue a Stage 3 letter. The letter will reinforce the content of the Stage 2 Letter and advise that the breach of policy will become a permanent entry on the child's school record.

- For reasons of Health and Safety, pupils with piercings cannot take part in PE or other physical activities including certain playground activities at Break and Lunchtime, including use of the Play Park, etc.
- This may not be permitted to be involved in after-school activities, certain Educational Visits that require any activity that may cause a child to suffer an injury due to piercings, as has been the case;
- This is for the child's safety and in their interests only.