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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am aware that there has been some discussion across our school community regarding our policy on earrings on PE days.

Our policy states:

***'All jewellery must be removed by the child when participating in any physical education, so we encourage no jewellery at all on PE or swimming days. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.'***

This remains the case moving forward. Children should not come to school on PE days with earrings in and if they do, they must be able to take them out themselves.

However, we are aware that on rare occasions, for short periods of time (usually after piercing) removal of earrings is not always possible. This is where we are making a slight adaptation to the existing policy based on discussions with the trust.

In these rare instances, children will be permitted to participate in PE lessons, with tape over the piercing. This tape must be provided by and applied by parents/carers or where appropriate, pupils. Staff will neither provide nor apply tape.

If you choose to send your child in with tape over piercings, school can not be liable for any accident/injury which occurs as a result of the piercing or tape.

If tape is not applied, parents will be contacted to come and remove the earrings/tape them up otherwise pupils will have to participate in non-physical aspects of the lesson (i.e. coaching/observing) or stop completely.

The safety of children remains the top priority for us as a school team and we really do appreciate your ongoing support in this matter.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do get in touch with the office team or speak to a member of staff.

Mrs Natalie Fox
Head of School