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Dear Parent/Carer

Clarification of Governors' Policy on Earrings

Further to some querying of the current policy on earrings following the summer holiday, I took our Jewellery Policy to the Governors' Behaviour and Welfare Committee for review last week and they confirmed the existing position. I would therefore like to re-confirm that students are not allowed to wear earrings for health and safety reasons. They are also not allowed to 'cover-up' earrings with tape, or use transparent retainers.

As of today, most students will have been back in school for a fortnight. This should now be long enough for any piercings from over the summer break to be sufficiently healed that they will not close up. We always try to adopt a common sense approach, and if any student is concerned about a piercing closing, we provide an opportunity for them to put their earrings back in at breaks and lunchtimes under supervision. When they return to lessons, these must be removed again.

I have instructed all staff at the start of lessons to check this as they do when they are checking the uniform of all students.

If you have any further queries about this, please feel free as always to get in touch. Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

With good wishes

Yours sincerely

D J Peple.
Headteacher