



STAG LANE MIDDLE SCHOOL POLICY ON THE WEARING OF JEWELLERY

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Policy on the Wearing of Jewellery

Purpose

Occasionally pupils wear personal items to school, which constitute a health and safety hazard. The following recommendations are in line with our Health and Safety Policy and the "Safe Practice in Physical Education" document, and reflect our commitment to the safety of all in our school.

The help, support and cooperation of parents in implementing this policy is essential and greatly appreciated.

Policy

- In the interests of safety, the wearing of any jewellery is not permitted. The only exceptions are a watch and ear studs.
- Children with pierced ears should wear a single pair of simple, small studs - anything else can be very dangerous to the wearer in an active environment.
- Ear-studs must be removed during PE lessons in accordance with the Council's Health and Safety Policy.
- Children will not be allowed to take part in PE lessons if they are wearing earrings or necklaces of any kind.
- If parents are contemplating having their children's ears pierced we ask that this should be carried out during the summer holiday in order to avoid depriving their child of PE activities.
- For all movement activities earrings should be removed. This is best done by the child or the parents before coming to school on that day.

Wearing of jewellery during P.E./Games

No jewellery is allowed during P.E. or Games in line with LEA advice. The following is guidance from Harrow Legal Services-

"The British Association of Advisers and Lecturers in Physical Education, has issued guidance that says that no earrings or other jewellery should be worn during P.E. and that **if in exceptional circumstances** small studs or necklaces are worn they should be taped over. This is supported by the DfES."

Who was consulted?

In the drawing up of this policy Harrow Legal Department, Harrow Advisory Service (PE) and the staff were consulted.

Relationship to other Policies

Health and Safety Policy, PE Policy

Role of the Headteacher and other members of staff

The Headteacher ensures that parents are informed with the policy and that this policy is implemented across the school. Governors will be kept informed annually of the impact of the policy through the Headteacher's Report.

All members of staff should support this policy by ensuring that children are challenged when wearing jewellery that is not allowed under this policy. It is also essential that all teachers follow the policy during PE and Games lessons.

Role of the Governing Body

The role of the Governing Body is to ensure that the Headteacher has informed parents of this policy and that it is part of the School Prospectus.

Role of the Parents

It is important that parents support this policy for the safety of their child. It would be helpful if parents were to ensure that their child did not come to school wearing jewellery on PE and Games days.

Monitoring, Review and Evaluation

This policy will be monitored annually to ensure consistent implementation across each year group and the school. It will be reviewed by the Governors every three years.