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27.09.2023 - Uniform Expectations

Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to clarify some details about school uniform. On the whole, our pupils look very smart and ready to learn on a day to day basis, but there are several areas I want to bring a whole school consistency to over the coming weeks.

Ear Studs

It has come to my attention that a parent consultation occurred last year concerning ear studs. Parents have asked for clarification on this. The consultation was for plain studs, either silver or gold in colour: however, we have a number of pupils wearing coloured ear studs, studs with gems in and even earrings. This is a clear health and safety risk and increases peer pressure on parents, carers and pupils.

Please ensure pupils only have a silver or gold ear stud in. If the proliferation of different types of earrings continues, I will revert back to the rule of no ear studs or earrings after half term on a health and safety basis. Please see the photograph for clarification.



PE shorts

The only shorts allowed for PE are plain navy or black over the knee shorts. No shorts with logos or football shorts, please. Please note, no lycra shorts are acceptable for PE.



PE tracksuit bottoms

Please note, no leggings or lycra are acceptable for PE. Only plain blue or black cloth tracksuit bottoms are permitted, with no logos. Expensive tracksuit bottoms or leggings can lead to 'poverty shaming' and become an area of peer pressure for parents or carers. We are an inclusive school and these rules are in place to ensure all pupils in school feel equal.



PE Hoodies

PE Hoodies are only to be worn on your child's PE Day, unless otherwise specified.

I want to be fair, so the shorts and tracksuit bottoms will become mandatory after October half term to give all parents and carers a chance to adapt. I thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Gouldbourne
Headteacher