

Newlands Girls' School

Courage Commitment Compassion

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Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the holiday period I wanted to reiterate our high expectations around uniform.

Each year, a small number of students present with additional piercings over the course of the academic year. **This is not permitted.** I want to be totally transparent in relation to the school rules, as stated very clearly in our ratified policies.

1. Students in Years 7-9 can wear **one** pair of stud earrings (not hoops) only.
2. Students in years 10 and 11 are permitted to wear **two** pairs of stud earrings (not hoops) only.

No other piercings will be allowed in school. If students attend school wearing a piercing which is not permitted and they cannot or refuse to remove it, this will be treated as a behaviour issue and sanctions will be in place. The policy is very clear and is on the school website. Please do look if you are at all unsure. **Because a piercing cannot be seen by members of staff, this does not mean it is permissible.** Any piercings we notice, or about which we are informed, will be addressed by staff in line with our Behaviour Policy.

We request the support of **ALL** parents and carers in upholding our very high standards of uniform and behaviour. If your daughter wishes to have her nose (or indeed any other part of her body) pierced, this needs to wait until the end of Year 11, **or the beginning of the summer holidays** when it can then be removed for school.

Additional ear and nose piercings are permitted in our Sixth Form (but no other piercings are allowed). I would also like to remind everyone that if you are purchasing new kilts or summer dresses over the holiday, they must be **on the knee or below** and students are not permitted to wear trainers to school.

A final reminder that students should be wearing their blazers to and from school. If we have warmer weather later on in the year then we will alert everyone that blazers can be removed. **Sixth Form students must wear their blazers at school**, in line with our school policy (the policy they voted to keep). If a student has misplaced or lost their House badge, a reminder that these must be replaced by purchasing a new one for £1 from Heads of Year.

Thank you in advance for your support in maintaining our excellent standards. I would also like to applaud and thank the majority of our students who come to school immaculately dressed on a daily basis.

Kinds regards

Miss Jo Capon
Headteacher



We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

