

HAIR AND JEWELLERY POLICY

HAIR

In the interests of health and safety and to help with the control of head lice, we must request the following:

- Long hair (shoulder length and below) should be tied back from the face.
- Hair accessories, such as head bands, clips and slides, should be small, sensible, plain and in the school colours (blue, grey or black).
- Appropriate hair style/colour/cut shaved designs and dyed hair colours are not acceptable.

JEWELLERY

In the interest of safety, we strongly encourage children **NOT** to wear jewellery in school. This includes any form of fashion band worn around the wrist. Jewellery can present a risk of injury to the wearer and to others, and our aim is to keep children safe from harm at school.

Delves Lane Primary is an OPAL school (Outdoor Play and Learning) and some of the curriculum is taught through structured play and outdoor learning. We STRONGLY ADVISE that children do not wear earrings in school.

Watches

Watches are not allowed in school; this includes any type of SMART watch or fitness band. If a pupil is found in possession of a smart watch, then the following procedures apply:

- On the first occasion the smart watch will be confiscated, and the pupil may collect the watch from their class teacher at the end of the school day.
- On the second occasion a member of staff will contact parents via a phone call, text, email or letter. Parents will be requested to collect the smart watch at the end of the school day.
- In the event of a pupil refusing to hand over a smart watch when requested to do so, we will contact parents immediately.

Earrings

Should you choose to allow your child to wear earrings in school now or in the future, despite the Health and Safety risks, the following information applies:

- Children can wear ONE pair of earrings (small plain studs ONLY)
- Children MUST be able to remove their earrings independently for ALL physical activities (PE lessons, swimming etc.)
- Parents MUST give their consent if they wish their child to wear earrings in school. An electronic indemnity form should be completed by following this link: https://forms.office.com/r/hyix9iA3B4

• A paper version is available on request from the school office.

PE and Physical Activities

- Earrings **MUST NOT** be worn for PE or other sporting activities including swimming.
- If children cannot remove their earrings, they will not be allowed to participate in the lesson or activity.
- It would be advisable for children not to wear earrings on PE days, or on days when they have planned sporting activities.
- Children will not be allowed to cover their earrings with a plaster, because this does not provide adequate protection.

Parents and Carers Responsibility

- Parents/carers must sign the consent/indemnity form if they choose to allow their child to wear earrings in school. Without a signed indemnity form we will insist that earrings are removed.
- Parents/carers will be advised of the school's policy on hair and jewellery through the website, school brochure and newsletters.
- Parents/carers are asked NOT to get their children's ears pierced during term time.
- In the event of a child coming to school wearing jewellery the child will be asked to remove it.

 If that is not possible, the parent/carer will be contacted to come into school to remove it.

School Staff Responsibility

- Staff will not assist children to remove or put in earrings.
- Staff will not forcibly remove any item of jewellery from children.
- Staff will ask children to remove any item of jewellery which are not allowed to be worn at school.
- If children regularly attend school wearing jewellery which our policy does not allow, staff will contact parents to discuss the matter.
- If children must miss PE or another physical activity because they cannot remove their own jewellery, staff will contact parents to discuss the matter.
- Staff/School will not be responsible for jewellery brought into school by children.

Make-up and nail varnish

- Make-up is not allowed to be worn in school, unless it is for the purposes of a stage production and is relevant to a child's role.
- Nail varnish should not be worn in school.
- False nails are not allowed to be worn for school.

DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNORS AND STAFF CANNOT ACCEPT ANY LIABILITY FOR INCIDENTS INVOLVING JEWELLERY THROUGH LOSS OR INJURY.

SIGNED R Woods

MRS R WOODS HEAD TEACHER

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