

# Swallowfield Primary School



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## Earrings and Jewellery Policy

### Purpose

The aim of this policy is to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all pupils during the school day, including during PE lessons, playtimes and other physical activities. Jewellery can present a risk of injury to the wearer and others, so our rules are designed to minimise hazards while respecting parental choice.

### PE, Swimming and Physical Activity

- For safety reasons, **all earrings must be removed for PE, swimming and any physical activity**, including outdoor games.
- Staff are **not permitted to remove earrings** for a child. Pupils must be able to take them out themselves, or they should be removed at home on PE days.
- If a child has recently had their ears pierced and earrings cannot yet be removed, they may be covered with **micropore tape supplied by parents** for up to six weeks. After this period, earrings must be removed for PE.
- For swimming lessons, **earrings must be removed without exception** due to additional safety risks.

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### New Piercings

- We strongly advise that new piercings are done **at the start of the summer holiday**, allowing time for healing before the new school year.
- If a new piercing is done during term time, the parent must inform the school and provide tape for temporary covering during PE.