

Swallowfield Primary School

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

The following bullet points are in place due to being part of national guidelines from the Association of Physical Education.

- 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 then the pupil will not be able to take part in PE lessons. The children will be given non-practical roles within the lesson so they do not miss out on the learning. This will last until the earrings can be safely removed.
- For swimming lessons, earrings must be removed without exception due to the safety risks.

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.