

Our Jewellery Policy for PE, Sports Clubs and other Sporting Events

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Our default position is that all jewellery should be removed when pupils are taking part in sporting activities as part of our curriculum offer.

North Yorkshire County Regulations and Guidelines and our PE partners, Sporting Influence, require jewellery to be removed for physical education because of the danger of injury to the wearer and/or other pupils in the class.

Jewellery includes the following: earrings (including studs), necklaces, bracelets, rings and watches (including smart watches).

Bracelets worn for religious grounds should be covered by wristbands throughout PE.

Whenever possible, children should be able to remove their own jewellery before a P.E lesson. Where this is not possible, parents should remove any jewellery prior to attending school when P.E activities take place.

If children do attend with jewellery on and cannot remove it, staff will amend the task to ensure participation is safe for the individual. Staff will do their utmost to allow everyone to engage in a P.E lesson by developing non-contact roles or playing non-contact sports and games when it is not possible to remove jewellery.

Staff will not remove jewellery.

Earrings should not be covered by microporous tape or plasters.

We recommend that children get their ears pierced at the start of the summer holidays to avoid any issues with this.

This policy has been agreed by Sporting Influence and will apply to Western Staff and all third-party providers working with our pupils.