## **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.

Additional ear and nose piercings are permitted in our Sixth Form (but no other piercings are allowed).

Other than the Sikh Kara bangle, we do not permit any jewellery to be worn at school. Make up should be discreet (and only be worn in Years 10 and above).

I would also like to remind everyone that if you are purchasing new kilts over the holiday, they must be **on the knee or below** and students are not permitted to wear trainers to school.

Finally, fluffy socks worn over the top of tights are not part of the school uniform. If students are cold walking to school then an extra pair of socks worn under their tights is absolutely fine. The same rules apply in the Sixth Form.

All students should arrive back in January in the correct uniform.

I 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.

I wish you a very Happy Christmas when it arrives.

Kinds regards













