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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate our expectations for mobile phones and jewellery.

JEWELLERY and MAKEUP

- No items of jewellery are allowed (other than a watch). **Clear plastic piercing retainers are also not permitted.** Please note smart watches are not permitted.
- Medic alert jewellery is permitted. Please discuss individual cases with the Head of School..
- False nails / gel nails / nail polish are not allowed.
- Makeup must be discrete. If it is noticeable then it is not discrete.
- False eyelashes of any kind are not allowed.
- Sometimes students tell us that they cannot remove gel nails or false eyelashes, or take out a piercing because it will heal up. These are not acceptable reasons as we have repeatedly made our policy very clear, which states that these items should not be worn in school. Any student intending to have a piercing, should do so at the very start of the summer holiday, so that the jewellery can be removed by the time that we return in September. **If your child gets false eyelashes or nails during the holidays, we would expect that they are removed before returning to school.**
- Should a student be seen with Jewellery in school they will be asked to hand this over to staff. The jewellery will be secured safely in the academy until the end of the school day when this can be collected from our Welcome Hub by the student.

Mobile Phones

- Mobile phones have no place in school. Students are not permitted to use mobile phones on the school site.
- Phones should be turned off before the purple line at the reception gates and placed in the student's bag. Should a student require the use of mobile phone technology to manage medical conditions eg Type 1 24 diabetes, bluetooth hearing aids etc, this will be allowed and the student will carry a permission card.
- Should a student be seen with a mobile phone then they will be asked to turn off the phone and hand it over. The phone will be secured safely in the academy until the end of the school day when this can be collected from our Welcome Hub by the student.
- Any refusal to comply with this reasonable request will result in referral to the Principal for an appropriate and serious sanction to be issued.

- If a child has repeat offences of using a mobile phone in school a meeting will be arranged with parents to discuss a solution.

We appreciate all your support with raising standards in the Academy and I am very pleased with the progress and achievements we have made as an academy since I took on the role of Principal. We have now opened up our Welcome Hub which is located on the runway into school. Should a student need any uniform or equipment to ensure they have a successful day, they can collect this from the hub. Staff will be present each morning to support them with anything they need. I look forward to continuing to work with you all and appreciate all the support you offer as part of our Ormesby community.

Yours sincerely



Mr J Bridge
Principal

