

6th September 2024

Dear Ansford parents,

I just wanted to clarify our uniform expectations again for this year as we have had a couple of questions come in.

As you know, this school has carried out a reset on uniforms and we are now working hard to make sure your children are all wearing the correct uniform at all times. It is very important to us that they feel proud of their school and spend their day feeling as if they are in a professional environment.

The two questions asked were mostly around socks and jewellery

Socks:

Students are allowed to wear black, grey or white generic socks. They must be plain with **no logos** and not the fuzzy socks that do not look professional and which we would consider leg-warmers. If students wish to wear sock over tights they must match the colour of the tights. i.e black socks with black tights. **White socks over black tights** are not permitted as we feel this is not a professional nor smart enough look for our students.

Piercings

The policy states that jewellery - *"Must be discreet. No facial piercings except for one discreet nose stud."*

I am aware that this may need some clarification and I am going to be working with the school student council to look again at the uniform expectations so they are updated and clear.

For the moment, as far as we are concerned, 'discreet' means

- A single earring stud in one or each ear on the lower lobe
- A single nose stud
- A maximum of two plain rings
- A single plain bracelet

Please note that dangle earrings or looped earrings or nose studs are not acceptable.

Many thanks for your support and also for the many emails of support we have received over a clear and concisely applied policy for uniform. The students have responded incredibly well and clearly understand the importance and pride to be had in a smart uniform.

Best wishes



Ms F Hirst

