

Tuesday 18th April 2023

Dear Families

We hope you and your family have had a restful break, and I would like to take this opportunity to wish “Eid Mubarak” to everyone celebrating Eid this week and remind all families that **school is closed on Friday 21st April**. Further details will follow on the proposed strike action by the NEU teaching union.

We are continuing to make great progress in our journey to creating a remarkable learning environment for every child. It has been fantastic to see the focused and settled start to lessons across all year groups, as well as talking to students in assemblies about why we do what we do every day. We continue to focus on every child being in school every day as we know that this has a massive impact on how well they will do at the end of the year.

We have high expectations for all members of our school community which is outlined in our Home-school Agreement and our Behaviour Protocols and Procedures that can be found on our school website. Our students are incredibly smart, and we are proud of our uniform expectations. We believe that this fosters a spirit of unity, allows our students to be prepared for the world of work and promotes equality. By helping your child(ren) to achieve this you will be supporting your child and our school in achieving our mission of creating a remarkable school where no child is left behind.

We would like to remind you of the following so that all families are clear of our expectations. If you are in any doubt, please speak to us **prior** to allowing your child to have any haircuts or other beauty procedures that are not easily removable. This will prevent any students being placed in intervention on their return to school.

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Hairstyles/Cuts/ Eyebrow Slits

- Students are only allowed to have one natural hair colour.
- Extreme haircuts such as under cuts, shaved patterns including line/s and 'Mohican styles' are not allowed, and the school reserves the right to place students into intervention until situations are resolved.
- Previously we have supported students who have not been aware of this in making lines less obvious but due to a small minority of students who have misused this discretionary support, **we are no longer able to provide this.**

Piercings

- Students may wear one small set of studs in their ear lobe only. No other piercings are allowed.
- Students will be asked to remove any piercings that do not meet our expectations and these will be handed to the year teams.

Make-up

- Make-up is not allowed. This includes the use of fake tanning products. Students will be provided with wipes and be expected to remove it.
- Gel nails and nail varnish as well as false eyelashes are not to be worn. Students will be provided with the opportunity to remove them.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



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