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Dear parents/carers,

As you know, we ask that children come to school **without earrings** in line with policy across the **Cramlington School Partnership**. If you choose to have your child's ears pierced, we always ask that this is done at the start of the **Summer Holidays**. This allows for **six weeks** to pass before the earrings can **safely** be **removed** for school.

We are aware that some piercings may not yet have fully healed. As a **temporary measure**, children can come to school with their piercings taped over to **reduce** the **chance of injury**. Please ensure that you send your child to school with piercings already covered. Taping the ears **does not** in itself **provide sufficient protection** to allow the children to run around outside. Children, therefore, will not be allowed to take part in PE or run around outside at play time or lunch whilst they have an earring in.

From the week commencing **Monday 2nd October**, we ask that all earrings (**including** the **plastic retainers**) are removed before the school day starts. If a child attends school with any sort of piercing in place which they cannot remove themselves, we will have to contact you and ask you to return to school to remove them.

**Keeping** all **children safe** in school is our **absolute priority** and we **cannot take any risks** of serious injury. Thank you for your ongoing support with this.

Many thanks, Mr Routledge

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