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Dear Parent/Carer

Students in Hair & Beauty lessons use personal protection to protect their uniform due to the practical nature of these lessons. Due to COVID there needs to be a slight change to how we use PPE in these lessons from September.

Aprons have been previously shared by students; this will not happen for the time being. Students do however still need to protect their uniforms.

We are asking every student to provide their own personal apron for their own use, bringing it to school to use and then taking it home to wash before the next lesson, reducing the risk of cross contamination of the virus.

There is no stipulation as to the type of apron your child should wear, other than it being a reasonable fit, to avoid any potential Health and Safety risk e.g. being so big they could trip on it and fall over and no unsuitable adult type images.

Some students/parents may wish to make their own over the holidays; some may re-use one from a family member or friend or you may wish to buy one online.

There are a vast number of aprons available online, I would suggest a simple, basic cheap one with or without pockets. There are a huge number of suppliers. I searched eBay using 'Apron for cooking' prices started from £2.96 including postage (note: I checked it was a UK seller, to avoid delays or taxes). Amazon also sell a range.

Students are also asked to bring their own towel in for shampooing sessions. Again, these should be taken home and washed before the next practical lesson, reducing the risk of cross contamination of the virus.

Students are asked to bring in their own bag to be able to store their dolls heads this will avoid them having to search through multiple areas or containers to find theirs. The bags will then be left in a designated area for that specific class.

Finally, at times in hair we must be in close contact with an instructor. At these times, as in industry, we will require students to wear a face covering but will tell students when this is necessary.

Yours sincerely

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