



Equity, Excellence, Evolution

The Five Islands Academy is an all-age, multi-site, Church of England Academy, serving the island communities of Bryher, St Agnes, St Martin's, St Mary's and Treasco. It is part of the Leading Edge Academies Partnership.

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Chewelry

Dear Parents

We strive to create an inclusive and supportive environment for all students, particularly those who benefit from sensory tools to aid focus and emotional regulation. One such tool, chewelry (chewable jewellery), has been shown to help children with sensory processing needs, including autism and ADHD, by providing a safe outlet for self-regulation.

While we recognize the benefits of chewelry for some students, we also want to ensure hygiene and safety within the school. Because chewelry is a personal sensory tool rather than a general accessory, we are implementing the following guidelines:

Use for Specific Sensory Needs - Chewelry is permitted for students who require it as part of a sensory support plan. It is not a general item for all students.

Hygiene Standards - Parents are responsible for ensuring regular cleaning of chewelry to maintain hygiene and prevent the spread of germs.

Safety Considerations - Only approved chewelry designed for safe chewing will be permitted to minimize choking hazards.

Responsible Use - Students using chewelry must follow guidelines to ensure it remains a personal sensory tool and is not shared with others.

We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a safe and inclusive learning environment. If your child requires chewelry for sensory regulation, please contact Charlotte Jewell charlottejewell@fiveislands.org to discuss an appropriate plan.

Thank you for working with us to support all students effectively.

Yours faithfully,

Rachel Gibb

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