



Use of Eye Protection in Science Lessons

To ensure compliance with health and safety requirements, students participating in any type of Science practical work are required to wear safety glasses whenever this is necessary. **Students are expected to bring their own safety glasses to lessons** when required.

Students studying Chemistry and/or Biology are also required to wear their own lab coat as well during their practical lessons.

It is important that the safety glasses brought to the labs are **designed for use as protective eyewear, fit securely and provide appropriate coverage of the eye area**. Suitable safety glasses are available from most stationery shops and hardware stores. *NOTE: Ordinary prescription glasses cannot be used as a substitute for appropriate safety glasses.*



Students who arrive for a practical session without the required protective material may not be permitted to participate in the practical activity. This is necessary to safeguard both the student concerned and others in the laboratory. As practical work may form part of a Continuous Assessment or an SBA task, non-participation may also result in the loss of marks, where applicable.

We recognise, however, that students may occasionally forget to bring their protective items. In such circumstances, and subject to availability, the school may provide a limited number of safety glasses/lab coats on a temporary basis, allowing students to participate in the planned practical activity.

For hygiene purposes, students borrowing safety glasses from the school will be required to clean them with alcohol-based wipes both before and after use. Students will also be required to sign a borrowing record confirming that they have received and returned the safety glasses issued to



them.

All safety material provided by the school are loaned on a temporary basis and must be used responsibly and in accordance with the instructions given by staff. Where borrowed items are damaged as a result of misuse or failure to follow instructions, the school reserves the right to request reimbursement for repair or replacement costs.

It is important to note that the arrangements outlined above form part of the school's procedures for the safe conduct of practical science lessons. This information letter is being issued to ensure that parents and guardians are fully informed of these procedures, including the expectations placed on students and the possible consequences of arriving without the required eye protection or of misusing equipment provided by the school.

We appreciate the support of parents/guardians in ensuring that students come to any type of science lessons properly prepared and equipped to participate safely in practical activities.



L-Użu ta' Nuċċalijiet Protettivi fil-Lezzjonijiet tas-Suġġetti Xjentifiċi

Sabiex jiġu osservati r-rekwiżiti tas-saħħa u s-sigurtà, l-istudenti huma meħtieġa jilbsu nuċċalijiet protettivi xierqa kull meta jkollhom xogħol prattiku waqt il-lezzjoni tax-Xjenza/Fizika. **L-istudenti huma mistennija jġibu magħhom, u jżaw, in-nuċċalijiet protettivi tagħhom.**

Studenti tal-Bijoloġija u/jew Kimika għandhom bżonn iġibu magħħom u jilbsu lab coat ukoll waqt il-lezzjonijiet prattiċi.

Huwa importanti li n-nuċċali protettivi li jkollhom l-istudenti jkun **maħsub biex jintuża' bħala tagħmir protettiv għall-għajnejn, billi jipprovdi protezzjoni adegwata madwar l-għajnejn.** Nuċċalijiet protettivi xierqa jistgħu jinxtraw minn ħafna ħwienet tal-istationary jew taż-żebgħa (Hardware stores). *Nota: Nuċċalijiet ordinarji tal-vista ma jistgħux jintużaw minflok nuċċalijiet protettivi.*



L-istudenti li ma jkollhomx in-nuċċali protettivi/lab coat meħtieġ jistgħu ma jithallew x jieħdu sehem fl-attività prattika. Dan huwa meħtieġ sabiex tiġi mħarsa kemm is-sigurtà tal-istudent ikkonċernat kif ukoll dik tal-oħrajn fil-laboratorju. Peress li x-xogħol prattiku jista' jiffurma parti minn-assessjar/SBA, in-nuqqas ta' partecipazzjoni jista' jwassal biex jintilfu xi mark, kif applikabbli.

Madankollu, nifhmu li xi drabi student jista' jinsa jġib miegħu n-nuċċali/lab coat protettiv. F'dawn iċ-ċirkostanzi, u skont id-disponibbiltà, l-iskola tista' ttiprovdi numru limitat ta' nuċċalijiet/lab coat protettivi b'self temporanju, sabiex l-istudenti jkunu jistgħu jieħdu sehem fl-attività prattika ppjanata.

Għal raġunijiet ta' iġjene, l-istudenti li jissellfu nuċċalijiet protettivi mingħand l-iskola jkunu meħtieġa jnaddfuhom b'wipes bl-alkoħol kemm qabel kif ukoll wara l-użu. L-istudenti jkunu



meħtieġa wkoll jiffirmaw registru tas-self biex jikkonfermaw li rċevew u rritornaw in-nuċċali protettivi li jkunu ġie msellef lilhom.

In-nuċċalijiet protettivi kollha pprovduti mill-iskola jingħataw b'self temporanju u għandhom jintużaw b'mod responsabbli u skont l-istruzzjonijiet mogħtija mill-membri tal-istaff. Jekk il-materjal protettiv misluf issirlu ħsara minħabba użu ħażin jew minħabba li ma jkunux ġew segwiti l-istruzzjonijiet, l-iskola tirriżerva d-dritt li titlob ħlas għall-ispejjeż tas-sostituzzjoni tagħhom.

Huwa mportanti li kulħadd ikun jaf li l-arrangamenti msemmija hawn fuq, jiffurmaw parti mill-proċeduri tal-iskola biex jiġi żgurat li l-lezzjonijiet prattiċi tas-suġġetti relatati max-xjenza, jsiru b'mod sigur. Din l-informazzjoni qed tinħareġ sabiex il-ġenituri u l-kustodji jkunu infurmati bis-sħiħ dwar dawn il-proċeduri, inkluż x'inhu mistenni mill-istudenti u l-konsegwenzi possibbli jekk jaslu mingħajr in-nuċċalijiet protettivi meħtieġa jew jekk jużaw b'mod mhux xieraq tagħmir ipprovdut mill-iskola.

Il-koperazzjoni tal-ġenituri/kustodji hija apprezzata sabiex niżguraw li l-istudenti jiġu għal-lezzjonijiet tax-Xjenza ppreparati kif xieraq u bit-tagħmir meħtieġ sabiex ikunu jistgħu jiehdu sehem fl-attivitajiet prattiċi b'mod sigur.