



29th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Department for Education last night took the decision to err on the side of caution and has strongly recommended that face coverings be worn in communal areas in school for staff and students Y7 and above. Obviously, very many of our students are exempt and we will not therefore expect them to wear them in corridors etc.

However, we will be expecting all the adults to wear face coverings in shared areas in school and so if for any reason you come into the building then this is something that we will require of you too in the short term. I am also requesting that should you come to school for any reason, that you conduct a lateral flow test before doing so.

I know without question that you will support with this; you know what I am trying to achieve and I know you want the same too. We have very precious people in the building and of course, I want to do all that I can to protect everyone.

We are not in the same position that we were in this time last year and I do want you to hold on to that. These measures are considered short-term only and are highly precautionary. At this time, we are not being told that performances cannot go ahead and so for now we will assume that they can; obviously, I will be asking you to wear face coverings carry out LFT tests and sanitise on those days but that is not anything new for any of us now.

As always, any questions please do let me know.

Thank you for being amazing.



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