

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents

### COVID-19 Update

I hope that this letter finds you well. Thank you for your continued support as we continue to navigate the pandemic and respond to local and national guidance. As you will be aware cases of COVID-19 continue to occur in our community, and this is reflected in the national and local figures we see each day.

Given the current situation, we have taken the decision to reintroduce the requirement for staff and pupils to wear face coverings in indoor communal areas e.g. corridors, dining spaces and hub areas, at all times. Pupils will be able to remove their face covering once they are safely sat down in their lessons. We will keep this situation under review and inform you of any change to this expectation. As a reminder, we require pupils to follow the following measures at all times:



Finally please remember that if your child has COVID-19 symptoms or have received a positive COVID-19 test result they must stay at home and self-isolate.

Symptoms include:

- a fever, particularly a high temperature (i.e. a temperature of 37.8 degrees or over); and/or
- a new continuous cough;
- a loss of, or change to, your normal sense of smell or taste (anosmia).

Anyone who has symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) can get a free test to check if they have the virus, see <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-an-antigen-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/> for more information.

Thank you for your support. We will keep you informed and updated on any changes to our measures as soon as possible.

Kind regards



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