



Dear Parents /Carers

As England moves into a second national lockdown on Thursday 5 November, you will be aware that the Government has stated that schools are to remain fully open during this period. This letter shares our revised arrangements in response to this latest development.

Our zoning system will remain in place as one which has been operating well since September. However, now that the national situation has changed, it is appropriate to review our risk assessment regarding the wearing of face-coverings. Our risk assessment and subsequent adaptations in School have, from the outset, reflected the guidance that has come to all schools from the Government. The Government has released new guidance this afternoon and the following will take effect from Monday 9 November:

- Students and staff will be required to wear face coverings in all indoor areas, apart from classrooms and in Year group assemblies, once students are seated;
- On the very rare occasion a 2m distance cannot be maintained within the classroom between a teacher and the students, then face coverings must be worn by all;
- Students who travel on all buses (whether public buses or designated school transport) will be required to wear face coverings.

If your son or daughter does not bring a suitable face covering to school, they will be expected to purchase a disposable mask from reception for £1, immediately upon arrival. The charge will be automatically applied to your ParentMail account, should your child not have the exact amount on them. No profit will be made by the School on the sale of the face coverings and any proceeds will go to a local NHS funded charity. The decision to charge a nominal fee encourages all students to take responsibility for being considerate to others by bringing in and wearing a face covering in school.

I take the opportunity to remind you that all students are expected to continue to attend school during the national lockdown. The only exception is for those students who have been told that they are Clinically Extremely Vulnerable, who are advised not to attend school.

Yours faithfully,

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