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Dear Parents and Carers

Following the recent government announcement, The Department for Education have instructed schools to re-introduce the wearing of face coverings in communal areas. This will come into effect from tomorrow and include corridors, the canteen and assembly hall. At this stage students and staff will not be required to wear masks in lessons, but they can chose to do so if they wish. Students and staff who are exempt from wearing masks will not be required to wear them.

As part of our ongoing measures, all members of the school community should continue to sanitise their hands regularly, hand sanitisers are available around the site and in all classrooms. Students should also continue their twice-weekly LFD testing regime; additional test kits will be distributed this week and can be requested through the pastoral teams. If a child tests positive following a lateral flow device test, they should isolate and request a PCR test via this link: <u>Get a PCR test</u>. Please report positive cases to the school here: <u>Reporting a positive test result</u>. Students who are required to isolate will continue to access school work through Microsoft Teams.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank parents and carers for their ongoing support, it is very much appreciated. In accordance with government guidance, we continue to review our measures and will inform you of any changes.

Yours sincerely

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Mr B Chidwick Senior Deputy Headteacher