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12 January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I hope you have had a good Winter break and wish you a Happy New Year.

On Sunday 2nd January 2022, the government released new school guidance for this half term, which I am sharing with you.

Face Coverings

Face coverings are now required in classrooms in addition to communal areas for all year groups. This is to support students and teachers as they return to school this term and builds on the existing guidance that recommends face coverings for all in communal areas of all settings.

The advice on face coverings in classrooms will be in place until Wednesday 26th January, when 'Plan B' regulations will be reviewed by the Government. If your child is medically exempt and you have not done so already please contact your House Leader so that they can be added to the exemption list.

Please ensure your child has sufficient and appropriate face coverings when they attend school. We have a limited number of disposable masks to give out as required but it would be more beneficial and less disruptive if students bring their own.

Changes to the self-isolation period for individuals who test positive for COVID-19

Since Wednesday 22nd December, the 10-day self-isolation period for people who record a positive PCR test result for COVID-19 has been reduced to 7 days in most circumstances, as long as they conduct LFT testing.

Individuals may now take LFT tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period. Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation, and may return on day 7.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart.

If both these test results are negative, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your self-isolation after the second negative test result and return to school from day 7.



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Daily testing for close contacts of COVID-19

Since the start of the academic year, Track & Trace is being operated by the NHS and not the school. People who are fully vaccinated, or young people identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19, should take an LFT every day for seven days and continue to attend their school as normal unless they have a positive test result or develop symptoms at any time. If the test is positive, they should follow the stay at home guidance, available here: [Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection)

COVID-19 Symptoms

Parents are advised to keep their children off school and book PCR tests for the household if any children in the home display any of the following symptoms:

1. A high temperature with blocked nose
2. A new continuous cough
3. Loss of/change in taste of smell
4. Headache and/or muscle aches

In this case, please also contact the school to report the absence and follow the NHS guidance, available here: [Main symptoms of coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/)

Finally, students are encouraged to continue to test themselves at home, twice a week, with Lateral Flow Tests (LFT) which have been given out in school. We have conducted testing in the school over the first week to ensure that the school is as safe as possible but COVID-19 rates remain extremely high in the City so we encourage vigilance from all families.

If you have any questions or queries then please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Karl Harrison
Headteacher

