

15 June 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

### **Review: use of face coverings in school**

As you are aware, the Governing Body has waited until Tuesday 15 June 2021 to review the use of face coverings in the classroom.

As we have not identified any Covid-19 infections in school, it has been decided by the Governing Body that we will move to the optional use of face coverings from Wednesday 16 June 2021.

Although face masks are optional within the classrooms, students and staff who wish to wear them will continue to be welcome to do so. Staff will still wear face coverings in communal areas such as corridors, offices and social areas and they too may retain the option to continue to wear them within the classroom.

Students **must** wear face coverings when travelling on buses and everyone entering the main school building to access reception, offices or toilets must continue to wear a face covering, as must all visitors to the school.

Students will still be expected to wear face coverings as they enter and leave the testing area (Sports Hall), both for their safety and that of the volunteers and staff who continue to work within this setting. Please ensure your child keeps their face covering in their pocket for this purpose.

**It is important to note that should further Covid infections be found in school or cases within the local area rise thereby causing concern, we will return to the use of face coverings in the classroom.**

Thank you for your support in this matter. Together, we can help to keep our community as safe as possible.

Yours sincerely



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