



29 November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

From Tuesday, 30 November, a face covering should be worn by all students and staff, in social spaces, including corridors. Unless they are exempt. This request has been made in response to the Government's new guidance for schools; it can be viewed here:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/1036663/Schools\\_guidance\\_update\\_for\\_Omicron\\_-\\_29\\_Nov.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1036663/Schools_guidance_update_for_Omicron_-_29_Nov.pdf)

It states: *'Where pupils in year 7 (which would be children who were aged 11 on 31 August 2021) and above are educated, we recommend that face coverings should be worn by pupils, staff and adult visitors when moving around the premises, outside of classrooms, such as in corridors and communal areas. This is a temporary measure... We do not advise that pupils and staff wear face coverings in classrooms.'*

The guidance also outlines the circumstances for an exemption.

Please ensure your child has a face covering to use in school, from tomorrow.

I will also take this opportunity, once again, to encourage your child to take regular, twice weekly, Lateral Flow Test (LFTs), to help break chains of transmission. Your child can collect these tests from school on request.

I thank you again for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



Matthew West  
Principal