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Dear Parents/Carers

As you may be aware, yesterday evening the government updated its COVID-19 guidance to schools.

As a result, from tomorrow all pupils will be required to wear a face covering in indoor communal areas unless they are exempt from wearing one. This includes corridors, the Dining Room when not eating, and the assembly hall. Face coverings are not required in classrooms or when completing examinations in this latest guidance. The same will apply to all staff and visitors to the school.

If your child is exempt from wearing a face covering, please advise your child that staff will be reminding pupils about the new guidance and so they may need to explain to staff that they are exempt. If you have any concerns in this regard please contact your child's Form Tutor.

From tomorrow face coverings are also mandatory in shops and on public transport. If your child travels to school via public transport or a school bus, it is now all the more important that they wear a face covering for the duration of their journey.

There are no other changes to school routines in the updated guidance and so school events, clubs and activities will continue as planned.

Thank you for support by ensuring your child brings an appropriate face covering to school each day. These arrangements will remain in place only as long as is necessary and we will review the situation in school in line with any changes to government guidance.

Kind regards

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