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Dear Parent/Carer

Compulsory wearing of face coverings from Tuesday 30th November 2021

You will have undoubtedly heard over the weekend that the government has issued new guidance to schools about face coverings due to the level of uncertainty about the dangers posed by the new COVID-19 variant Omicron. We will be talking to students about the changes in form time today so that they are prepared to wear masks from tomorrow. In summary, students must wear a face covering at break and lunch (except when eating or outside) and at movement time

We will give reminders to students today about how they should store and wear their face covering; students will need to bring a small hand sanitiser with them to make sure they have cleaned their hands before and after use.

As previously, we will provide wrist bands for those who have provided medical evidence for exemptions. If your child is in Year 7, and this affects you, please contact the Year 7 office to discuss further. If your child is in another year group and had an exemption previously there is no need to contact us again, but if your child's circumstances have changed, please get in touch via the relevant year team.

You may also have heard over the weekend about schools being asked to conduct in school LFD tests at the start of the Spring term. We have not received details yet but will update you as soon as we can about the arrangements for this. It is recommended as good practice that schools ask for consent again so it is likely that we will be asking for consent before the end of this week. Please continue to encourage your child to test twice a week at home. There are packs available for students to collect in year offices but we will also hand out a box each next week so that everyone has enough.

This is obviously a fast moving situation but our aim will be to communicate with you if, and when, there are updates, especially if this leads to the cancellation of any planned activities in the next few weeks. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Jo Hawkin
Headteacher