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Dear Parent/Carer

We have, in the last few days, had a number of positive Covid cases reported across all our year groups. As a result, we have been in touch with Public Health England.

We are now going to request that our staff and students from Tuesday (tomorrow) wear face masks in the communal areas of the school. These include the entrance lobby, atrium, washrooms and corridors. For the time being, we are allowing masks to be removed in lessons. We have asked staff to ensure that classroom doors and windows are open to ensure that there is a good flow of air.

Students with PE or Dance on their timetable are allowed to wear their PE kit on the day that they have these lessons and to wear their blazer over the top of their kit.

We will continue to carefully clean the site during the day and in the afternoons. We have additionally returned to holding our staff meetings using Teams and student assemblies are, for the next two weeks, also going to be held on Teams.

These changes are regrettable but I am sure we can rely on your support to help us try to keep the community safe. If your child/ren is medically unable to wear a mask, we would ask that you send them in tomorrow with a note from you in their planner or similar and an exemption pass will be issued to them.

I will, of course keep you informed through the newsletter regarding our attempts to control the virus. Whilst writing to you, please may I remind you to encourage your family to undertake lateral flow tests regularly.

Yours sincerely

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