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Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Following the latest COVID national lockdown and updated guidance for schools from the DfE, we will be making an adjustment for student requirements to wearing face coverings. These will be in place from Monday 9th November 2020.

Year Group Pod communal areas

In addition to wearing face coverings upon arriving and exiting the Academy site, as well as transitioning to / from breakfast and lunch, students will be required to:

wear face coverings in areas of transition and lesson change-overs within their Year Group Pod Faculty

Below are elements that remain unchanged from our original COVID protocols:

Academy bus transport

It is still mandatory to wear face coverings on the Academy buses for all students (other than those with medical reasons in which we aware of), and remain seated in their designated pod area.

Lessons

It is not mandatory for students to wear face coverings in lessons, this remains optional.

Breakfast and lunch

When <u>consuming food and drink during their designated classroom areas</u>, again, students <u>do not have to wear face coverings</u>.

Break and lunch outside transition and astro-turf activity

When outside the school building, or situated on the astro-turf facility, students will still remain in their Year Group Pods and do not have to wear face coverings.

We hope you understand the need to follow the latest guidance and maintain our desire to keep the community as safe as possible during these times.

Please can we ask for your support by ensuring your child has their face covering when they leave for school each day.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely

Mr S. Underwood Associate Principal