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Dear Parent / Carer,

School Updates following Step 3 of Governments Roadmap – COVID Update

Following the Government announcements this week regarding Step 3 of the roadmap, I am writing to clarify how this will impact on the day-to-day operations of the school and what will look different from Monday 17th May.

The details are subject to change following any updates from Public Health England (PHE) resulting from any National, Regional, or Local COVID outbreaks. As a school we continue to take the safety and wellbeing of all those within our community extremely seriously and will continue to promote safe practices to protect both staff and students.

1. Use of Face Coverings in school

From Monday 17th May, the use of face coverings in school will be optional in all areas of school for students, however we anticipate that some students may wish to continue to use them (which will be permitted), although this will be an individual choice. We expect that all students keep a face covering with them to use in school should a particular activity make it difficult to maintain social distancing, such as a practical activity or where a staff member intends to work closely with students; in this situation students may be asked to put a face covering on.

2. Use of Face Coverings on Transport

All students are still required to wear face coverings while on transport to and from school. These may be removed on arrival to school and should be back on before boarding. Seating plans remain in place and students should continue to use their allocated seating zone to support contact tracing.

3. Safe Working

Apart from the changes to use of face coverings, all our safe working measures will remain. Enhanced cleaning regimes, good respiratory hygiene including the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach, good ventilation throughout the school and maintaining year group bubbles will allow us to continue to minimise contacts and ensure the environment remains well sanitised. Students are encouraged to regularly wash their hands and sanitise throughout the school day and continue to be responsible with regards to contact with others.

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4. **Lateral Flow Testing**

We will continue to provide all students with the Lateral Flow Testing Kits.

Self-Isolation. Should a student develop symptoms they must immediately cease to attend school and follow government guidance. Symptoms include a new continuous cough and/or high temperature and/or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell.


5. **Assemblies**

We intend to re-introduce assemblies for year bubbles as required.

Our aim is to gradually re-set elements of the school day where it is safe to do, ensuring that any changes are in line with national guidance.

We look forward to continuing to support all students in school and thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JParr', written in a cursive style.

John Parr
Headteacher