

Monday 13th December 2021

Dear parents and carers,

Covid-19 Precautions

The government have made some changes around Covid rules. These include:

- Asking adults (and those over 12) to wear face coverings on public transport and lots of public areas like shops
- Asking people to work from home where possible (this does not include schools)
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What does this mean for the academy?

The only change we will be making is to ask you and all parents to wear a face covering (unless you are medically exempt) when you are picking up and dropping off your child. This will help to reduce the risk of Covid spreading.

If it is necessary for you to come into school, we will ask you to wear a face covering at all times and if possible, to take a lateral flow test beforehand.

Please note, it is not advised that children under 12 wear a face covering.

The government have said that children who are medically vulnerable do not have to shield at this time, however some families may have received specific advice from their doctor, and this should be followed if this is the case. If this is relevant to your child, please contact the academy to discuss arrangements.

Over the holidays

We are all looking forward to the upcoming holiday. To help reduce the spread of Covid-19, please remember

1. You can now [order free lateral flow tests](#) to see if you have Covid-19 (search lateral flow tests.)
2. Should you or your child have symptoms of Covid-19 [please get a PCR test as soon as possible](#) (search 'free PCR Test.')
3. If you are planning on [travelling abroad, the rules have changed](#) (search 'travel from UK').
4. Vaccination, and in some instances vaccination boosters, are now available for all adults and children over 12 who consent. Please consider whether you would like to be vaccinated if you have not been, as this will help to reduce the risk for everyone.

Returning to school in January

We return to school on **Tuesday 4th January**. Please check that your child is well and has no symptoms of Covid-19 before returning to school.

Thank you as always for your understanding and support during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Yours sincerely,



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