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Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the half-way point in Module 2 we wish to thank you for your ongoing support. Your support and understanding with the continuing restrictions to which we have to adhere has been crucial in enabling us to provide the best support possible to the students in these difficult times. To ensure the continued provision of as normal an education as possible please can we ask that you continue to discuss with your children the importance of adhering to the guidance and requirements currently in place.

Face Coverings

- We are asking children over the age of 11 and all staff to wear face coverings in indoor communal areas, except for within the context of a formal lesson where a seating plan and rigid protocols are in place. Some students have been wearing face coverings within lessons too and naturally, they may continue to do so.
- Face coverings should therefore be worn in indoor communal areas when they are being used at social times too, i.e. before the start of the academy day, break and lunchtime, but they can be briefly removed to eat and drink.
- Students will continue to wear face coverings when using public transport.
- Students must also continue to wear face coverings in the local shops if they need to use them.

In order to continue to prevent the spread of COVID 19 it is imperative we work together to ensure we minimise contact with individuals who are unwell, by ensuring that those who have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend the Academy. Therefore, we ask that your child does not attend the Academy if they have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms or have tested positive within the last 10 days, or any member of the household has displayed symptoms. Please be assured should any student or member of staff develop those symptoms during the academy day they will be sent home and advised to follow the 'stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection', which sets out that they should self-isolate for at least 10 days and should arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19). If they have tested positive whilst not experiencing symptoms, but develop symptoms during the isolation period, they should restart the 10 day isolation period from the day they develop symptoms. Other members of their household (including any siblings) should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms. Any student directly affected by a positive case in the academy will receive communication from academy staff to explain the details. As explained in previous correspondence the numbers of positive cases we have in the academy will continue to be recorded on the academy website through the following link to provide updated information to all parents:

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[LSST Positive Cases](#)

We continue to provide lesson resources through our SharePoint platform for students to access if they need to isolate for a period of time. Please find on the link below a guide on how to access both SharePoint and the relevant materials should your child be absent from the Academy. If there are any issues with the work set on here please contact your child's subject teachers and if there is an issue with access to the necessary devices please contact your child's Pastoral Learning Mentor or Head of Year. When students return from isolation, and even if they have maintained contact with staff, teachers will check in with them to see how they got on with the work set and if any further support is required.

[SharePoint Guidance](#)

Yours faithfully

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