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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones well. I thought I would write to you to discuss the changes that have come into effect since the start of the national lockdown today. We have received updated information for the full openings of schools from the Department for Education:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/education-and-childcare-settings-new-national-restrictions-from-5-november-2020?utm\_source=7427a8d7-6fbd-4315-b29f-2c648cfb91a1&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm\_content=immediate

There are two main differences from the information that we have been working from until now.

- 1. There is now a requirement for face coverings to be worn in secondary schools and FE settings by pupils/students and all adults (whether staff or visitors) in areas other than classrooms.
- 2. Pupils who are CEV (clinically extremely vulnerable) **should** continue to attend school, **unless** their GP or clinician advises they should not. If we receive such an advice in regard to a pupil, we will arrange for remote learning to be provided. Pupils who live with someone who is CEV **should** continue to attend school.

I understand that this is a worrying time for everyone. If you feel that you have additional queries in relation to this new advice, then please email the appropriate Head of Year. I have today visited every classroom to make the new requirement for face masks known. We already have a list of those students who are exempt from wearing a mask, but if you are yet to inform us of a condition that precludes your child from wearing a mask, please ring and ask to speak with Miss Turner.

Yours sincerely,

Lesley Hogg

**Principal**