

Letter from Matthew Bartlett, Head Master

Friday 30th October 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

We have received today the updated school guidance which has been issued in line with the introduction of tiers to suppress the virus. From 6am on Monday morning all the local council areas served by the school will be in tier 3. Under this guidance despite the limitations put in place, any teachers will be able to travel to work and pupils travel to school without restriction.

The College in line with all schools has to operate what are termed 'Enhanced Protection Measures'. All but one of these is already part of our standard operating procedures at the current time. However there is one very important change which impacts **all pupils in S4-S6 and their teachers in the Senior School**:

- **All S4-S6 pupils and their teachers must wear a face covering in classrooms during lessons in the Senior School.** There is no change for S1-S3 and their teachers, Junior School or Kindergarten. This applies from Monday morning (the guidance is introduced from 6am on Monday). It is not required to wear a mask outside and a mask may be removed whilst eating. Masks should continue to be worn in all corridors and communal areas in the Senior School by all pupils and staff and also by our staff in corridors and communal areas in the Junior School
- **For parents and carers who are dropping off/picking up**, there is a key change in that **you must wear a face covering. This applies outside within our campus area** ie: in the parking areas, in the drop off lane, and outside the Sports Hall. Even if you are just stepping outside the car, a mask must be worn. This guidance is designed to reduce the most likely points of transmission and the greater likelihood of an adult transmitting the virus. Can we also advise the importance of a swift departure, keeping 2m distance from other adults and once again reiterating the clear guidance to avoid car sharing

The only other aspects of guidance which I would draw your attention to are that parents or guardians will need to discuss with their GP or clinician whether children with the **highest** clinical risk should still attend. The numbers of young people who might be affected in the whole of the College is in low single figures. Our nursing team and Director of Health and Safety can assist if needed. Whilst this is all guidance, the use of the word should mean that there is a government expectation that this is all in place and enforced as far as possible.

I will of course keep you updated on any further changes. The positive news of course is the determination to keep schools open and education continuing. Your support in all of this is hugely appreciated.

Kind regards



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