

## Bulphan Church of England Academy

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### COVID19 Update- May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

As expected, the Prime Minister announced this week that as of 17<sup>th</sup> May the country will move to Step 3 of the Roadmap. I am writing to you today to update you on what this means for us.

#### Face Coverings

The guidance on face coverings in education has been amended to reflect that from 17<sup>th</sup> May face coverings will no longer be recommended for pupils in classrooms or communal areas, in all schools and colleges. Face coverings will also no longer be recommended for staff in classrooms.

In all schools and colleges, the Government continues to recommend that face coverings should be worn by staff and visitors in situations outside of classrooms where social distancing is not possible. Therefore, staff will continue to wear face coverings in all communal areas and when on the playground at the start and end of the day. All visitors to the school site should also continue to wear a face covering and maintain a social distance from others.

#### Bubbles

Guidance also requires children to remain in bubbles and to limit mixing as much as possible. Therefore the current plans in place for staggered start and drop off times, separate break and lunchtimes, no whole school events, will remain in place.

#### Transition Days

Transition days can go ahead this year. This means that our Year 6 children will be able to visit their chosen secondary school for taster days and we will be able to welcome our new Reception starter pupils to our site for our usual transition session.

Thank you all for your continued support

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Finch", is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Miss Finch  
Headteacher

***'God's word is a lamp to guide our feet and a light for our path'  
Inspired by Psalm 119:105***