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Dear Parents/ Carers,

As I am sure you are aware, this weekend the Prime Minister outlined temporary measures that aim to slow the spread of a new concerning COVID19 variant, Omicron.

I have now received an update from the Department for Education informing me that all educational settings are to reintroduce face coverings for all staff, visitors and pupils in Year 7 or above. Nationally this will come in to force from tomorrow **Tuesday 30th November**.

From tomorrow and until further notice all visitors to our school site, including the playground, are to wear a face covering unless medically exempt.

Families are encouraged to continue to test twice weekly at home using lateral flow tests.

We will urgently review our Christmas arrangements and risk assessments, including performances to parents / carers, with safety remaining our highest priority. I will keep you informed of any changes or developments as appropriate.

I appreciate that this may come as unwelcome news, however, I greatly encourage you to support this requirement in order to protect our community from illness and safeguard education for our pupils for the last few weeks of term.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Miss Finch
Executive Headteacher

Miss Taylor
Head of School

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

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