

13 May 2021

Parent Update

Dear Parent / Carer,

With reference to the latest guidance and the gradual lifting of restrictions, please note the following changes that will be happening in the Academy;

Face Masks

The Department of Education (DfE) have updated their guidance to reflect that "from Monday 17 May face coverings will no longer be recommended for students in classrooms or communal areas, in all schools. Face coverings will also no longer be recommended for staff in classrooms. In all schools we continue to recommend that face coverings should be worn by staff and visitors in situations outside of classrooms where social distancing is not possible." We understand that the reintroduction of face coverings for students or staff could still be advised for a temporary period in response to particular localised outbreaks. Students who travel on our school minibus will still need to wear face coverings.

Uniform

During the height of the Covid pandemic when we were advised to increase ventilation in classrooms, students have been allowed to wear a black sweatshirt to keep them warm. As the weather improves towards the summer months, we will be steadily returning to our normal uniform standards. This means that, from the week commencing 07 June, sweatshirts must not be worn. Please refer to the website for full details of our uniform policy. We will continue with the policy of students attending the Academy in PE kit, when they have a PE lesson or extra-curricular sporting activity, until further notice.

Yours faithfully



Mrs J Owens
Head of School