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Dear Parents/Carers

In line with the expectations set out by the Chief Minister regarding Covid mitigations, I'd like to inform you of a few changes which will come into force tomorrow.

We will expect all adults visiting the school to wear a face covering at all times. To minimise the number of adults in school, it would be really helpful if all children come in on their own in the morning. If you need to speak to myself or the class teacher then you are, of course, welcome but it is expected that a face covering will be worn if you enter the building. Face coverings play an important role in protecting others from any circulating winter illnesses, and will be most effective if everyone plays their part. We will ensure that face coverings are provided to anyone that does not have their own.

Although primary school children will not be expected to wear face coverings, it is encouraged that Years 5 and 6 do so.

It is mandatory that children travelling on the school bus wear a suitable face covering. As far as I am aware this includes the swimming bus so please make sure your child is prepared. If this changes, I will let you know as soon as I can.

Useful Health & Well-being Resources:

The pandemic has caused a lot of changes for our children and young adults – from schools and exams, to socialising and future plans.

The Department of Education Sport and Culture have collected these resources to help you, or a young person you know to navigate these difficult times.

[Anxiety & Coronavirus](#): Department of Education Sport and Culture document, designed to provide guidance and support for families, children and young people

[Anna Freud Advice for Young People to Support their Mental Health](#): Helping children, young people and their families during the current pandemic

[Advice for Parents and Carers](#): Advice and guidance for parents and carers on how to support wellbeing during the current pandemic

[On My Mind](#): Details self-care strategies to help children and young people manage their wellbeing

A number of other resources are available including the 'Are you ok?' survey and tips:

<https://covid19.gov.im/health-and-wellbeing/>

As always, I'm happy to discuss this further if you need to.

Thank you.

Trish

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Headteacher