

Email to all parents / carers

4th October 2021

Dear Parent / Carer

Following a steep rise of positive cases in the local area and a linked increase in school cases at the beginning of this week, a decision has been taken to temporarily reintroduce the following measure from Tuesday, October 5th to help mitigate virus transmission in the school. This decision has been taken in agreement with Public Health England and is in line with measures being implemented in other local secondary schools.

Face coverings to be worn in communal areas: students, staff and visitors (unless exempt) will be expected to wear a face covering in indoor communal areas and corridors. These areas have high levels of footfall and are where students in different year groups are mostly likely to come into contact / pass each other. Face coverings in classrooms currently remain optional.

The school is already undertaking a variety of other measures which mitigate against virus transmission including:

1. Separated entry to school by year group.
2. Separated break and lunch times by year group.
3. Hand cleaning before entering and when leaving rooms.
4. Cleaning of tables at the beginning of every lesson.
5. One-way systems in the school.

Students are also encouraged to continue to test regularly with the LFD tests provided at the start of term. Additional test kits can be obtained from Mrs Sharp in her office off the 1911 Hall. Parents / carers are reminded that should their child develop any symptoms then they should remain off school and book in for a PCR test straight away.

The measures taken by the school continue to be reviewed on a daily basis and parents / carers will be immediately informed if measures are to be reduced or increased. Please contact Deputy Headteachers - Mr Kneeshaw: mkneeshaw@nsb.northants.sch.uk or Mr Edwards: medwards@nsb.northants.sch.uk at the school if you have any questions regarding this email.

Please can parents / carers ensure that students are aware of this additional measure before school on Tuesday, October 5th. Students will also be reminded in Form Registration tomorrow morning.

Yours sincerely

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