

Re. Covid measures in school

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your children managed to have a good half term break and had a well-deserved rest - the weather was certainly kind to us.

Prior to any government announcements regarding current Covid restrictions from the 21st June, I wanted to write to you to explain the Trust's position for all Academies until the end of Summer Term. We are hoping that we are slowly and carefully coming out of the restrictions due to the Pandemic, but we must do so with an air of caution as Covid-19 is still with us.

The Steering Group of Trustees, set up to react to the changes due to Covid-19 has begun to plan the exit strategy from the restrictions, whilst continuing to be compliant with DFE Guidance.

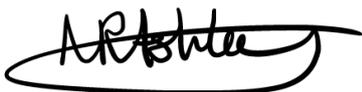
One of the main reasons why we are continuing to retain some restrictions and measures is because many of our staff have still not been vaccinated. In a few of our Academies, less than 50% of our staff have received their first vaccinations and only 42% of staff across the Trust have received their first vaccination. We do, however, feel that we are in a position to relax some measures.

After a recent meeting with the Trust Steering Group and a subsequent meeting with all the Head teachers, the following has been agreed:

- 🌿 **Masks are no longer a requirement for parents to wear when they are dropping off or picking up from school. However, if you wish to speak to the Headteacher or member of staff at the school gate we would ask you to wear a mask;**
- 🌿 **Sports Day – will remain a no parents to attend event;**
- 🌿 **Visitors in school – visitors will only be allowed in school if the visit is essential and if at all possible will take place after the children have left;**
- 🌿 **Y6 end of term events: Head teachers may organise an outdoors leavers' event.**

The Head teachers and I would like to thank you for your support and co-operation over the last 18 months; we do appreciate the inconvenience and challenges you have faced. Your support has certainly contributed to us being able to keep your children and our staff safe and secure during these difficult times.

Kindest regards,



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CEO