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Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

Re. Impact of new national restrictions: impact on education (6th November 2020)

I would like to update you on the school's response to the guidance that has been published by the government on how the new national restrictions impact education – you can read the full document [here](#).

Out-of-school activities

Out-of-school activities refer to any activity that takes place outside of the timetabled school day (08:40-15:00). Unless the primary purpose of such activities is providing childcare or has a focus on education or training then it cannot continue to run during the length of these new restrictions. Activities during school hours, for example at lunchtime, will still be able to go ahead.

This means that we will continue to run catch-up and revision sessions, staff training, detentions and after school sports clubs. We will, however, have to cancel any out-of-school on-site events such as parents' evenings (which we are now planning to run remotely).

Clinically extremely vulnerable staff and children

The evidence suggests that there is a very low risk of children becoming very unwell from COVID-19 and most children previously identified as clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV) no longer need to follow shielding advice. Parents/carers should discuss with their GP or specialist clinician if they have questions about whether their child is classed as CEV.

Staff identified as CEV have been advised to work from home during the national restrictions.

Anyone living with someone who is CEV or those who are clinically vulnerable should continue to attend school during this period.

Face coverings

The updated guidance confirms the decision we made earlier in the week that face coverings must be worn by adults and pupils in indoor communal spaces such as corridors (please see my letter dated 3rd November).

Transport

It is very important that children travelling to and from school on public transport (bus, train, taxi) wear a face covering for the duration of that journey.

I have been very impressed with the way in which the school community have adopted the more frequent wearing of face masks this week. It reflects a shared commitment to protect ourselves and each other from the spread of the virus while managing to continue with teaching and learning with minimal disruption.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

Mr Jeremy Scott
Headteacher