



All Hallows Catholic School

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01st November 2020

Dear Parent / Guardian

[Last night the Prime Minister outlined measures](#), which if approved by Parliament on Wednesday, will impose strict measures upon the whole of England. These will be introduced from Thursday 05th November and will have a huge impact on how we live our lives with Churches, restaurants and leisure facilities closing their doors.

Schools will continue to remain open for all students and we look forward to continuing seeing all students in school every day:

The Government will continue to prioritise the wellbeing and long-term futures of our young people and will not be closing schools, colleges or universities. It remains very important for children and young people to attend, to support their wellbeing and education and help working parents and guardians. Senior clinicians still advise that school is the best place for children to be, and so they should continue to go to school. Schools have implemented a range of protective measures to make them safe.

We have taken the opportunity to reflect upon our practice following the Government announcement and our experiences during the last half term and as a result we will be introducing new measures in the school to ensure the safety of both students and staff and to maintain continuity of education for our students.

Additional Measures:

1. Face coverings (Mandatory from Thursday 05 November):

- All staff and students will wear face coverings in the school building at all times, other than in offices and classrooms. This will include indoor communal areas such as corridors and the canteen.
- Students will be asked to put their face covering on prior to entering the building. They may be removed when students are outdoors but must be put on again when returning indoors.
- This will become mandatory from Thursday 05 November to allow time for all families to ensure they have face coverings; however, I would encourage all students to wear face coverings from Monday.
- I would be very grateful if you could ensure that your child puts their face covering in their pocket or bag before leaving the house, ready to enter the school building. Placing the mask in a clear plastic zip bag is the best method of keeping the mask clean when not in use.
- If any student does not have a face covering with them, then they must make their way immediately to Student Reception upon arrival at school where a disposable mask will be provided.
- There will be a few students who are exempt from wearing a face covering; please contact admin@allhallows.net if you believe that your child is exempt

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- It will continue to be the school's policy to not admit visitors to the school, unless by prior appointment. If you do need to visit the school, please wear a face covering at all times.
- Advice on how to wear a face covering [can be found here](#).

2. Sixth Form:

- The communal spaces within the Sixth Form have been reconfigured over the half term break to reduce the amount of prolonged contact each year group has with the other.
 - Year 12 will be based on the first floor; the common room has been reorganised to create clear study and leisure spaces.
 - Year 13 will be based on the ground floor, in and around the Study Centre, with a similar set up to Year 12.
 - The students will continue to share classrooms, Father Dans Café and the toilets.

3. After school clubs:

- In line with Government Guidance, all extra-curricular clubs will be suspended until 02 December at the earliest.
- Homework club, within year groups zones or in the Ark, and detentions will continue, as these take place with measures in place and ensure students are supported in keeping on top of their school work.

Free School Meals:

For many families the additional measures and restrictions announced by the government will provide an additional financial strain, so I wanted to take the opportunity to remind families that financial support may be available for example through the provision of free school meals. [Please follow this link to our website where further details are available.](#)

The measures outlined to you in this letter and all other actions will constantly be reviewed in light of changes in Government Guidance and from local knowledge. Student wellbeing and access to a full education remains our focus and I hope we will be able to provide some sense of normality in our students lives, during these challenging times.

I look forward to seeing all the students back in school tomorrow.

Yours faithfully



M A Baines
Acting Headteacher

