

EBE/srg

5<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

The DfE have released their latest guidance for schools during the national lock down. This brings a number of key changes which will need to take effect from Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> November.

1. **Face Coverings**

**Face coverings will be mandatory in communal areas of secondary schools for staff and students. They are still not recommended in classrooms.**

It is a government instruction that your child attends school from Monday with a clean mask each day. Your child will also need to ensure that their face mask is kept safe and clean during the course of the day when not being worn in the classroom. If your child is exempt from wearing a mask for medical reasons, it is important that you email or ring Student Support to register this exemption. Email: [studentsupport@willingdonschool.org.uk](mailto:studentsupport@willingdonschool.org.uk) or call on: 01323 485254 Ext 266.

2. **Clinically Extremely Vulnerable Pupils (CEV)**

**Pupils who have been identified by their doctor as still considered clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV), will be advised not to come into school.** Please ensure you supply a copy of the shielding letter from your child's consultant to explain their absence, you can email it to: [studentsupport@willingdonschool.org.uk](mailto:studentsupport@willingdonschool.org.uk)

We will then provide work for your child so they don't miss out on learning. The member of staff to contact for your child's absence is Mrs James on the Absence Line 01323 483144 or by Text 07418 344551.

3. **Lessons**

All of our practical lessons can continue following the specific subject guidance released earlier by the DfE.

4. **After school activities**

Unfortunately we have to cancel extra curricular clubs from Monday, however if the after school provision is extended learning support such as homework club, these will still take place. Any questions regarding this, please contact your child's Director of Student Progress.

We will still be adhering to our Covid Risk Assessment from September, which highlights the importance of regular handwashing and sanitising, as well as the expectation of social distancing where possible. This Risk Assessment is available on our website.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes,  
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