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Dear Parent/Carer,

Please note the change in guidance to schools regarding face coverings from the Department for Education issued on 19th October below.

'When an area moves to Local COVID Alert Level: high or very high, in settings where pupils in year 7 and above are educated, face coverings should be worn by adults and pupils when moving around the premises, outside of classrooms, such as in corridors and communal areas where social distancing cannot easily be maintained.'

The alert level in Luton is currently medium and so we can maintain our current approach which allows students and staff to choose if they wear face coverings.

However, should the local alert level change, students will be required to wear face coverings in corridors and when moving around inside school buildings. Please can you ensure your son/daughter has a plain coloured face covering (ideally white or black) ready to use if this becomes the case as it is likely we will have limited notice. Students will also require a small plastic bag; ideally a zip-lock bag, to place their face covering in when not in use.

While outside at break and lunchtimes students are generally following distancing requirements well with reminders from staff. This approach will continue and if the alert level rises, will allow students and staff to remove their face coverings at break and lunchtime once outside.

We continue to be grateful to our students for their patience and excellent behaviour in outside 'bubble areas'. We are looking to make some improvements to these areas so that they are more suitable for students' breaks now that it is clear these arrangements will have to continue for a considerable period of time.

We are very fortunate not to have had any students test positive with Covid19 since the start of term which means no students or bubbles have had to be sent home. We are pleased that this has allowed us to provide the best possible education. However, we are prepared for students to work remotely from home should this become necessary. If this is the case all remote education will be online via Google Classroom. We have been working hard to ensure every student has a device to access online learning from home. If you envisage this being an issue for your child, please contact Mrs Rust.

Thank you for your continued support and patience and I hope you and your family remain well.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact relevant staff or you can email myself at head@lealands.luton.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

John Burridge
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