

4 November 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Given the announcement at the weekend from the Prime Minister, from Thursday morning the Covid procedures in place at the Associated Sixth Form have been updated as follows. We will let you know of any further changes, when final guidance for schools is released and as the need arises.

We have been pleased with the way in which students have returned to school and require that the following measures are followed fully and without prompting. Thank you for your support.

Compulsory face coverings

Face coverings will be compulsory for all students, from Thursday 5 November within the school buildings, except when they are in timetabled lessons or are eating/drinking. You are also reminded of the requirement for students to wear face coverings when travelling on school buses. Please ensure that students have a spare face covering in their bag in case they forget or lose the one they are wearing.

Home Study

We are extending Home Study to Year 12 students and encourage all Year 12 and Year 13 students to undertake their private study at home where their timetable permits. This will take effect from Thursday 5 November onwards. Students should complete a Home Study form, to be signed by their parent/carers and Senior Tutor and returned to the Sixth Form office.

National restrictions in public places

See the Gov.uk website for more detail of the new national restrictions from 5 November:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/new-national-restrictions-from-5-november>

In particular, students must be aware that the new Government restrictions state that "you can exercise or meet in a public, outdoor space with people you live with, your support bubble (or as part of a childcare bubble), or with one other person. You should minimise time spent outside your home." This means that students must leave the school site in accordance with this rule, and we do not expect to see groups of any size congregating off the school site.

Self-isolation reminder: No student should be in school if they or anyone in their household(s) has symptoms of coronavirus (Covid 19) or has tested positive for coronavirus; students should also not be in school if they have been in close contact with anyone else who has tested positive: follow the Government guidelines, as required, for self-isolation.

Yours sincerely



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