

Ref: MaskWearing/noc

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2020



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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you will have seen from various news sources and media outlets over recent days, cases of COVID-19 are on the rise across the UK. The efforts parents have made so far to keep everyone safe have been second to none, and we really do appreciate your patience and perseverance during these difficult times. As infection rates increase across the nation though, we do now feel that we have to step up our safety protocols further.

From **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October we are requesting that parents and carers wear a mask or face covering** whenever they are within the school grounds.

We understand that some parents and carers may be medical exempt from wearing a mask, but we do hope that for the short time that you are within the school grounds, you will be able to support these measures and help us to keep our school open and everyone safe.

We know that you are all doing your utmost to maintain social distancing wherever possible however we feel that if we are to maintain a COVID free school, we need to do all we can to eliminate the risks. Mask wearing is a simple yet effective way of limiting the spread of the virus and, as mask wearing has now been compulsory in shops and the hospitality sector for some time now, we believe that the introduction of this new measure can be easily adopted.

Many thanks in advance for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Shepherd', written in a cursive style.

Ms. S. Shepherd  
Headteacher