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Dear Parents and Guardians

RE: COVID-19 update

On Saturday 27 November 2021, The Prime Minister announced new temporary measures following the emergence of the Omicron variant of COVID-19 in the UK.

Face Coverings

With immediate effect face coverings should be worn in communal areas by students, staff, and visitors unless they are exempt. Students are not required to wear masks inside classrooms or changing rooms but can if they wish to. Masks should be plain blue, black, grey, or white in colour.

Students should continue to wear coverings on public transport unless they are exempt.

School Events

To support the national effort in slowing down the spread of the Omicron variant the school has taken the difficult decision to postpone any planned events, and only essential visits and meetings should take place.

The Year 7 and 8 progress review meeting scheduled for 01st December 2021 will now take place virtually. Information regarding this will be issued to Parents and Guardians later today.

The school Christmas Concert will be postponed until the New Year. A new date will be confirmed shortly.



Testing

We would request that all students continue to test twice weekly using lateral flow devices, which are available to collect from the school.

Vaccinations

All students aged 12 and over are encouraged to take up the offer of the vaccine.

We will of course continue to keep you updated and thank you for your continuing support.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Keen', enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

Chris Keen
Principal