



## Face Coverings – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Following a careful review of **all Government guidance**, and the changes even during this week, along with an equally careful review of our provision since reopening and discussions with other local schools, our expectation going forward is that every member of the Noadswood family - students and adults alike - will wear face coverings in the following situations:

- In all communal areas inside the school buildings
- When we're moving between lessons in corridors
- Any time we're out and about in corridors
- In the canteen queues
- When changing for PE (Students should remove masks and put them back in their plastic bags or in the bin provided for this purpose before going off to their activity)
- Anytime indoors when we can't maintain the appropriate social distancing

We would also encourage the wearing of face coverings when outside in year group bubble zones if social distancing spacing can't be sustained, and students must avoid any physical contact/getting in each others' physical space when outside. Remember the importance of: Stay Smart, Keep Apart.

Students do not need to wear face coverings in classrooms unless they wish to, but they are welcome to do so. As I say, colleagues will be following exactly the same guidance - we're all in this together.

Therefore, we would be very grateful for ensuring that your child has their face covering with them each day (and maybe a spare) securely kept in a clean plastic bag. If they bring disposable coverings, they must make sure they use one of the clearly marked bins each time they remove one and sanitise after doing so.

The face coverings should not have designs on them that would cause offence or be inappropriate for school - we do have a supply in school, should your child need one, so don't hesitate to email [health@noadswood.hants.sch.uk](mailto:health@noadswood.hants.sch.uk)



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We also have a supply of face visors if anyone would prefer this.

If you feel your child needs to be exempt from this expectation, please just drop us an email at [health@noadswood.hants.sch.uk](mailto:health@noadswood.hants.sch.uk)

We will encourage this expectation for our school community through reminders and visual posters. We will also take care to speak to parents of students who will need particular support either about wearing a covering themselves or about being within a community where people are doing so.

Thank you to the parents who we have reached out to in the preparation of this note and to you all for your continued support on another far from easy day for us all in terms of the safe management of C-19 in the community.

Remember, if you have any concerns about this, it's [health@noadswood.hants.sch.uk](mailto:health@noadswood.hants.sch.uk) and we will work together with you to resolve.

Now, even more than ever, it's about working through it all together.

Kathryn Marshall and the Noadswood Leadership Team