



Update: Monday 14th September 2020

This week's update includes:

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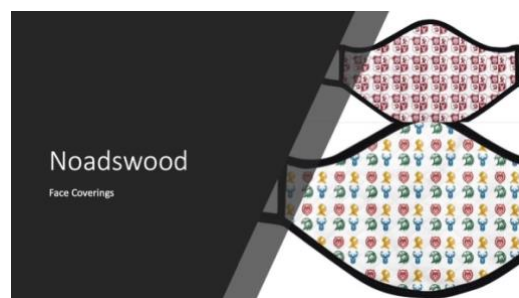
Thank you and it's great to be back:

Thank you so much to every parent, carer, student and colleague for the week and a half of term we've managed to get under our belts.

We are thankful for everyone's support of the restrictions and differences from the norm currently in place – it is down to you all that things went as smoothly as they did.

We are also thankful for your response to the guidance we sent out on Wednesday evening regarding the wearing of face coverings on and around our school site.

If you haven't read that guidance yet, it can be found here ([click here](#))



Finally, we are thankful to everyone who wrote to us with support, concern or a question about our arrangements to keep everyone safe and how they are being implemented on the ground – please keep these coming to health@noadswood.hants.sch.uk

If you would like to join me as part of a discussion group to review these arrangements on a two or three weekly basis, please can you let me know at health@noadswood.hants.sch.uk

We will set up Zoom calls to discuss, but we will also have an online discussion group for ideas and thoughts as they come up, which I will feed back into these updates for everyone.

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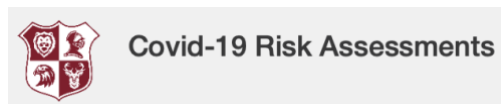
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Two or three parents have already done so but I would welcome a group of at least about 10 parents to be part of this important and ongoing work.

I will also be inviting two of our Trustees in to school in the near future to visit the site to support colleagues and students in ensuring all that we have put in place is being used correctly.

If you have not yet read our Risk Assessment detailing everything that is in place, please would you do so? The link to the documents is here ([click here](#))



Arrivals and Departures:

Thank you for supporting us on each year group's first day, enabling our tutors to lead their students in to school to show them the arrangements in the zones, all the safety measures we have in place and the routes around the school. Everyone followed what we asked just superbly.

Now that has been done, may we ask you to reinforce the following four points with your sons and daughters at home, please:

- 1) It will help us enormously if **students can arrive as close to their start time as possible**, recognising that for some families this is difficult. But if we can rule out students arriving early when they don't need to, that would be great.
- 2) When students arrive, they must now **come on to site through the correct entrance and then go directly to their tutor base**. They must not hang about on the pavements or near to the site to avoid congestion for Orchard Infant School, Orchard Junior School and our own school and to avoid accidentally undermining all the schools' efforts to minimise community transmission of C-19.
- 3) When students leave to go home, we understand some may need to wait for a sibling. **Please can they do so on the courts and not out on any of the pavements, for the same reasons**. They mustn't wait for friends in other year groups, please.
- 4) **If they are planning to walk home with someone in the same year group bubble as themselves but in a different class at the end of the school day, please can they hook up with each other at the edge of their zone** and, again, avoid waiting in the street. They obviously mustn't wait in other year groups' zones either.



Link to letter regarding ‘Test and Trace’ to school and college leaders:

There is useful information for you to read at the link below with regards to the Test and Trace scheme and also with respect to young people who have previously been shielding:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/letter-from-phe-and-nhs-test-and-trace-to-school-and-college-leaders/letter-from-phe-and-nhs-test-and-trace-to-school-and-college-leaders#testing>

Please would you email health@noadswood.hants.sch.uk should you encounter difficulty gaining access to a test when you require one so that I can advise our local health protection team and local councillors/MP when this is the case.

‘What to do if....’ Guide for parents and carers re C-19 symptom scenarios:

Please click below for the above Guide we have put together from the very latest guidance and in liaison with other local schools ([click here](#))



PARENT GUIDE – C-19 RELATED ABSENCE – WHAT TO DO IF....

What to do if...?	Action needed...	Back to school when...?
<p>My child has C-19 symptoms</p> <p>–</p> <p>This means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High temperature, hot to touch on chest or back - A new CONTINUOUS cough, coughing a lot for more than an hour or 3 plus coughing episodes in 24 hours - A loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste 	<p>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</p> <p>Inform the school</p> <p>Self-isolate the household for 14 days</p> <p>Arrange to get a test as soon as you can</p> <p>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY TEST RESULT IS IN</p>	<p>..... The test comes back negative and you have informed the school of this directly</p>
<p>My child tests positive for C-19</p>	<p>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</p> <p>Contact school to inform us</p>	<p>..... They feel better after at least 10 days of absence if they feel concerned they still</p>

It runs through scenarios around when self-isolation is needed, when a test is required and other reasons for absence. A really important read and ‘go to’ guide for us all. I will update it as and when the guidance changes over the days and weeks ahead.

Curriculum and remote learning planning

In common with all schools and colleges, we are reviewing our curriculum sequencing and remote learning packages in light of both Government guidance and the changing picture in terms of cases of C-19.



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I will update you each week as to the plans we make and publish an overview for you by department and key stage as soon as we can.

Open Mornings and Evenings:

As you may have seen on our social media platforms, we have thrown ourselves in to a heartfelt ambition to hold the above events, showing groups of six people around our school in a strictly controlled manner, in addition to an online offer.

Please be reassured that if these events are able to happen, we will be asking visitors to operate according to all of the guidance we have published to you, and they will not go right in to classrooms. We know, when the time comes, what we will do will be determined by the Government guidance and we will keep you updated.

Your questions and suggestions:

Please keep them coming to your child's tutor, House Leader or any member of the Leadership Team or to me at: headteacher@noadswood.hants.sch.uk

What you raise is vital to us in making sure the arrangements we have put in place are working well in practice and to our being able to give your children the best educational experience possible in these difficult circumstances.

With our thanks for incredible support and engagement,

Kathryn Marshall and the Noadswood Leadership Team.