



## Hilltop School

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Dear Parents and Carers

In light of the new advice and restrictions around Covid-19 I want to confirm changes from today at Hilltop school.

I have put an updated risk assessment on the website which has the last week's changes highlighted in red.

From today all staff will be expected to wear a mask/face covering/visor when moving about school (outside their own classroom). We will continue to limit movement of staff and students around school to minimise chances of spreading any potential infection. This may mean that your child will be met by a member of the class team wearing a mask or clear visor. If you feel this may cause your child anxiety just let the class team know and we will ensure this doesn't happen.

Visits from prospective parents are suspended and we are encouraging anyone who needs to come to school to come before or after school if at all possible. We have also tried to discourage parents from coming into school and I would like to thank you all for supporting us so well with this.

Some of our students continue to be supported by others (particularly health professionals) outside their 'bubble' and they will be wearing face covering and ensuring they do not work with multiple bubbles during the week.

We have cleaning of frequently touched surfaces done by individual class teams and have employed an additional cleaner to do this in general school areas over lunchtimes.

For our older students and those more able to understand the use of face coverings we will be talking this through with them as appropriate in each class. This may mean some of our older students will be encouraged to start wearing them on transport. If you would like your child to wear a face covering during school time please let us know and we will ensure this happens, wherever possible. We do recognise that for most of our learners a facemask is not appropriate and we will not be trying to insist any child wears one.

As ever, if you have any concerns please contact your class teacher or myself.

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