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Dear Parent or Carer,

You may have heard, via the media, that the government intends to remove the recommendation that secondary-aged students wear masks in classrooms from Thursday 20 January and the requirement to wear masks in communal areas "shortly". We have heard the same reports as you but have, as yet, received no communication from the Department for Education in regards to this matter.

Please assume that students will no longer be asked to wear a face covering in classrooms from Thursday 20 January but will be asked still to wear them in communal areas until we are informed of a change in guidance by the Department for Education.

Students and staff who wish to continue to wear face coverings anywhere on the school site are welcome to do so.

We are sorry that this is all we are able to tell you at this stage. We hope the department will get round to contacting schools at some point, and we will pass you any information we might receive as soon as we can.

Yours faithfully,

Jonny Uttley
CEO

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Executive Principal