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Dear parents/carers,

Wearing of face coverings

Welsh Government has updated its guidance on the use of face coverings in schools.

To reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19, parents and carers **should wear face coverings** when visiting any school in Bridgend. This includes all internal and external areas, including those used for drop-off and collection.

Parents/carers are advised to maintain clear social distancing at all times, particularly at the school gates, to reduce the risk of transmission and set a good example to pupils.

Year 7 and older pupils are now required to wear face coverings in all areas outside of the classroom. This includes on the school yard, at break times, at lunch times and at other times of the day when pupils are congregating in those areas (eg waiting to enter school). You are reminded that Year 7 and older pupils are required wear face coverings on any dedicated school transport.

However, the wearing of face coverings will not apply to pupils who will be exempt or may not be able to handle the wearing of a face coverings eg pupils with special educational needs or disabilities. Along with regular hand washing/sanitising and social distancing, these new measure will reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 at school as far as possible.

They have been made stronger to keep you and your families as safe as possible. They are based on new advice from Welsh Government's Technical Advisory Group, as we learn more about the way COVID-19 is transmitted.

Thank you for your help in doing all we can – together - to keep ourselves and others safe.

Yours sincerely

R. Edwards