



# Church Langton CE Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,

As you may be aware, the government issued new guidance last week about wearing face coverings in schools. While many of the changes only apply to secondary schools, there are some additional measures for staff that we will be applying in our schools. One is that staff who wish to wear a clear visor while working with children will be allowed to do so, following strict instructions for putting them on and removing them safely and cleaning/disinfecting them after each use.

We are also asking staff to wear medical grade face masks (BS EN 14683:2019) in communal areas such as staffrooms, meeting rooms and offices where they may meet together for prolonged periods (longer than 15 minutes) where social distancing is not possible. Schools will keep a supply of masks for this purpose.

Professional visitors to schools such as Speech and Language Therapists, Educational Psychologists and Social Workers who may be working 1-1 or in small groups with children will also be asked to wear a face mask in school and will be offered a visor to wear if they choose to.

Parents and carers can only visit school *in exceptional circumstances and by appointment* and must wear a face covering throughout their visit – this can be a reusable fabric mask. We would also encourage parents and carers to wear a face covering when dropping off and collecting their child from school as an additional precaution, particularly if they have to pass through areas of the school site where it is difficult to maintain social distancing.

We will continue to review all changes to the DfE and PHE guidance as they are published, amend our safety measures where necessary and keep you informed.

## Requesting a COVID-19 test

PHE have asked all schools to encourage parents only to request a COVID-19 test if their child is displaying one or more of the three main symptoms:

- High temperature
- New continuous cough
- Loss of or changes to the sense of smell or taste

If they are unwell with other symptoms (such as a sore throat, upset stomach or headache) a test should only be requested if the local authority, health protection team or a GP tell you to do so. You should also only request a test for anyone who is experiencing symptoms and not for other family members.

## Car Parking

Thank you for the consideration being given to where you are parking at drop off and collection time. We have reserved the back row of the Langton Hall car park (nearest to the astro-turf) for staff parking to seek to increase the space available at the front of the school.

## Music Lessons

We are pleased to be reintroducing the individual peripatetic music lessons in guitar and piano. This is initially available for those who were already having lessons and we will then consider



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whether additional pupils can be accommodated. Thank you to Mr Kirkland for organizing this provision.

### **Achievements**

Please do share any achievements that your child wishes to share in our collective worship on Friday, they can be emailed to [office@clp.learnat.uk](mailto:office@clp.learnat.uk)

### **Uniform**

Thank you to the parent who this week raised a concern about the quality of the uniform that had been delivered by our suppliers. I am meeting with them to address the matter and will be seeking reassurances about the standards which we can all expect. Sharing elements with us at school is always appreciated and assists us in understanding the service provided by those we work with.

### **Extra-curricular clubs**

We are keen to reintroduce extra-curricular clubs and hope to be able write next week with booking forms and the details of their reintroduction. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we undertake this next step in our provision.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Roddy', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Stephen Roddy