

Dear families

I hope you are well.

As you'll know, the government has announced that there will be a lockdown due to rising Covid-19 cases in the country. We understand that this is a worrying time and that you will have questions around what this means for schools.

Schools remain open

We will remain open for all of our children. We will continue to make sure we're safe and secure by keeping children in their bubbles, minimising their movements around school, encouraging handwashing/sanitising and our many other new protocols. Please be assured that the safety of our children, staff, families and wider community is our top priority.

Face coverings will be required from Thursday

The government advise that students over the age of eleven wear face coverings in school corridors in areas that have been placed into lockdown. As there is a national lockdown beginning on Thursday, we will require all students to wear a face covering at all times except when in lesson; this includes entering the school site and during break and lunchtime - only to be removed when eating or drinking. They can wear any plain face covering in a neutral colour.

If your child is exempt from wearing a face covering due to a medical issue, please contact us on office@waylandacademy.org.

Attendance remains important

It's incredibly important that you send your child to school. We don't want your child to miss out on their education. Our teaching teams are committed to ensuring that our children and their families are supported.

If your child has a doctor's letter saying that they have been classified as extremely clinically vulnerable and need to stay at home, please let us know.

If you have any questions, please contact us via office@waylandacademy.org

Best wishes,

Glen Allott
Principal