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Dear Parent / Carer

Face coverings for students at Northolt High School

You will probably be aware that guidance to schools was issued on 26th August concerning the use of face coverings. Having considered this guidance, we've decided that we are going to encourage staff and students to wear a face covering when they are moving around in our corridors between lessons. This adds a further protective measure to those we have already taken and which we communicated earlier this week.

It is clear that this measure will only work if face coverings are worn correctly. Please could you support this by teaching your child how to put on, remove, store and dispose of face coverings correctly. You can find advice on [this website](#) to guide you. We will be asking students to sanitise their hands twice as they move between classrooms - once after they have put their face coverings on and again after they have removed them. Students will need to have a sealable plastic bag to store their face covering in during lessons. If students are wearing a face covering on their journey to school, they must remove this covering and replace it with a different one to be used during the school day. Each should be stored in a separate sealed plastic bag. We will teach students about these procedures but will be very grateful for your support by reinforcing this at home.

Not everyone is able to wear a face covering. The website above provides details of who is exempt from doing so - this also applies in schools.

Face coverings are now widely available to buy but you can make your own. The guidance in the website above contains details about how to do this. We are not putting rules in place about the colours of face coverings.

In case you are interested in further detail, please find a link to the guidance from the Government about face coverings in schools [here](#)).

As ever, please contact us if you have any questions by telephoning the school (office staff return to work on 1st September) or by emailing help@northolthigh.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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