



30th November 2021

SENT VIA E-MAIL/HANDED TO LEARNERS

Dear Parents/Carers

COVID UPDATE – Face Coverings

I write following the Prime Minister's announcement made on Sunday 28th November in response to the COVID-19 Omicron variant and the DfE information received this week. DfE have advised that face coverings must be worn in all communal areas in college by staff, visitors and students. I am implementing this from **Wednesday 1st December 2021**.

This also includes the essential wearing of masks for all learners travelling from home to college via assisted transport.

Face coverings help to protect learners and staff against the spread of infection because they cover the nose and mouth, which are the main confirmed sources of transmission of COVID-19.

So from **1st of December 2021**, face coverings must be worn by learners, staff and visitors whilst moving around the communal areas of the college. Although not compulsory to wear face masks in classroom or workshops, the college will encourage all learners and staff to continue to always wear a mask.

We are aware that there are some circumstances whereby learners may not be able to wear a face covering, which we are respectful of, and we would ask that you make us aware if your child is not able to wear a face covering.

We do have a supply of face masks in college if required.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

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