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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you will have heard in the news, a national lockdown begins from Thursday 5 November and whilst all schools are remaining open, we are making some small changes for the health and safety of our school community.

We are changing the time of the school day, with a slightly shorter break and lunch to reduce risk. Students can still come onto the Post 16 site from 8:45am. Breakfast bars are available if required and tutor time starts at 9:00am. The final lesson of the day will finish at 2:30pm on Tuesday and Thursday for Year 12, and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday for Year 13.

The curriculum will be delivered as normal, but during lockdown, the 2 hour Work Readiness slot on Monday has been cancelled for Year 12 to reduce travelling and contacts for students. The core curriculum and options will be delivered as normal.

Students will be offered a disposable mask – these are not compulsory. The masks can be worn throughout the day or for use in shared areas. Staff too, will have the option of wearing a mask or a visor to teach in, for their own safety. Please talk to your child about this choice as we know that 'hands, face, space' is an important hygiene message to keep in mind, to reduce the spread of the virus.

The National Lockdown should end on the 2nd December but there is a risk it could be longer so as an Academy we have decided to **maintain these changes until the Christmas break on 18th December 2020** to reduce the amount of change for all concerned and to help with planning.

We understand that many people have concerns regarding Covid 19. I can assure you, as a Trust, we are doing our best to ensure that our site remains safe and we can continue to offer a high quality education for all our students.

Yours sincerely

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Helen Shapter Wheeler
Head of School
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