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Dear Parent/Carer

On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November, the Prime Minister announced new temporary measures following the emergence of the Omicron variant of Covid-19 in the UK. **The new measures will be introduced from the 30<sup>th</sup> November**, as a precaution to slow down the spread of the variant while the Government gather more information.

### **Wearing Face Coverings in School**

Face coverings should be worn in communal areas in all settings by staff, visitors and students in year 7 and above, unless they are exempt.

In terms of Hurworth this means that face coverings will need to be worn in school corridors, when students enter the school at the start of the day, at lesson changeover, break and lunchtimes (in the corridor and the canteen) and when leaving the classroom at the end of the school day when they are in the corridor.

### **School Transport**

Students (in year 7 or above) need to wear face coverings on public and dedicated school transport, unless they are exempt as well as for hired transport for any school trips.

### **Testing**

We continue to issue Lateral Flow Tests to students to take home and these are available from School should you require more. We encourage both staff and students to test twice weekly.

### **Contact Tracing and Isolation**

The current guidance on contact tracing and isolation remains in place. In addition to these, any suspected or confirmed close contacts of the Omicron variant will be asked to isolate for 10 days regardless of vaccination status or age. You will be contacted directly and told to isolate.

### [Contact Tracing Guidance](#)

### **Vaccinations**

We have already received two visits from the Vaccination Team in School to vaccinate 12-15 year old students, we are unsure if any further visits will be scheduled, in the meantime students aged 12 and over are encouraged to take up the offer of the vaccine. Please find below a link:

### [Book or Manage a Vaccination](#)

Thank you for your continued support with Covid measures in School. We will update you with any further guidance or news as we receive it.

Yours faithfully



Mr D Judson  
Head Teacher

