



Monday 24th January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Further to the recent notification regarding Governmental changes for de-escalation of COVID-19 safety measures, I write to advise you of the reduction in measures that we feel is appropriate for our two school settings and have decided to implement across the Federation from **Thursday 27th January 2022**. Clearly, the safety of everyone; pupils, staff, parents/carer, governors and all other stakeholders and community members, continues to be of paramount importance to us, and as a result, should our local COVID-19 data deteriorate, we shall immediately increase health and safety measures accordingly. However, following the revision of our COVID-19 Federation Risk Assessment, for the foreseeable future, I am delighted to advise you of the following maintenance of/changes to safety measures across the Federation, which will be continued/implemented.

- Hand hygiene and cleaning will continue to be of high priority so the expectation is for everyone to maintain current levels of hand washing etc across the Federation during the school day
- We propose to maintain the one-way system at **Winterton Church of England Infants School** as we know from informal discussions with parents/carers that this is currently a preferred model that facilitates a calm, ordered entry into, and exit out of the school.
- The one-way system will cease to operate at **Winterton Junior School** from the morning of Thursday 27th January 2022, resulting in Year 6 pupils entering and exiting from the West Street gate, and all other year groups (Years 3, 4 and 5) entering and exiting from the Chapel Lane gate, as was the case pre COVID-19 measures.
- There will be no requirement for adults/children to wear face coverings in outside areas on either school site, unless they expressly wish to do so. Additionally, staff and pupils will not be required to wear any face coverings inside either school setting unless they expressly wish to do so, however, any visitors to the Federation, will currently be requested to wear a face covering (unless exempt) if they are not regular attendees at either school setting.
- A COVID-19 keep will be that pupils will continue to come to school in their PE kits on their PE day, as this has worked really well for everyone concerned
- We will be looking to reintroduce all the 'extra' opportunities, such as performances, educational visits etc for your child and will notify you accordingly as these are scheduled.

As mentioned earlier, we will, of course, continue to monitor the situation/data in both settings very closely and follow Government and Public Health guidelines, as appropriate, to maintain safety for everyone. This may mean, if our COVID-19 case data deteriorates significantly, that we have to reintroduce some measures to ensure safety for everyone and clearly, we will very much appreciate your continued support in this area.

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Finally, may I take this opportunity to thank you all once again for supporting us in decisions made, past and present, we have, and do, really appreciate this very much. Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher in the first instant. Fingers crossed that we can now move back to a 'more' normal school existence!

With very best wishes

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