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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Covid-19 Outbreak Protection Measures - UK Health Security Agency

In common with some other schools and colleges locally and nationally, we are observing a noticeable increase in positive cases of Covid-19 within our community. On the advice of The UK Health Security Agency (formerly Public Health England) we are moving temporarily from what they term baseline protection measures to outbreak protection measures.

With this in mind, the following controls will be put in place from Thursday 14th October 2021. Please can you ensure your son/daughter is prepared.

- Masks must be worn in communal areas - corridors/staircases/lunch queues (unless exempt)
- Masks will generally be removed in lessons but where close working happens staff may request students replace them briefly
- Hand gel is to be applied at the start of each lesson
- Rooms should be well ventilated and surfaces wiped frequently
- Students will require their own stationery as we will not be loaning children basics
- Assemblies and large social gatherings will be limited - external sports fixtures will be suspended but internal competitions and practices will remain
- Y7 will move to lunch at 1300 in order to reduce queuing in the canteen

We will continue to monitor the situation and take further precautionary measures where needed. In the meantime, it is very important that students continue with home lateral flow tests at least twice a week (every 3-5 days). Please report absence arising from a positive test by emailing covid@arnewood.hants.sch.uk

Thank you for helping us to keep children in school to minimise disruption.

Yours faithfully

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