

14th May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

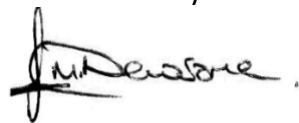
The government has announced that **pupils will no longer be required to wear face coverings in school from Monday 17th May 2021**. This includes in classrooms and communal areas (e.g. corridors, lunch and break venues). This means that, after this week, they do not need to bring face coverings into school however if you wish your child to continue to wear a mask in school, please notify your child's Head of House via our enquiry line (enquiry@decschool.co.uk). If they are travelling by public transport they still need to wear them while travelling to school. All other in-school protective measures remain in place.

You can read the full government announcement explaining why they have made this change here: https://www.gov.uk/government/news/face-coverings-no-longer-required-in-schools-and-colleges-from-17-may?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_source=26adb2a5-9528-4fc4-a141-7b47e711ec33&utm_content=immediately

The government guidance around face coverings has been updated here: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/984846/FINAL_Face_coverings_in_education_guidance.pdf

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



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