



The Sutton Academy

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Principal: Mr Paul Willerton

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Dear Parents & Carers

As you may be aware, there has been a large number of Covid-19 cases in some of our neighbouring secondary schools and partner primary schools. The academy has had a number of positive cases but not at the levels seen in other secondary schools.

The current guidance states that if a school bubble has five or more cases, Public Health England support the school by advising certain measures. This week we have had five cases in Year 11 and a number of cases in other year groups.

The advice given to the academy from Public Health England to reduce the chance of a larger outbreak at the academy is the following: -

- 1) **Strongly recommend that all students and staff wear face masks in communal areas.**
At this point masks are not compulsory but to reduce any potential further disruption to lessons we do strongly advise that staff and students wear a mask, at least in indoor communal areas.
- 2) To reduce the possibility of an asymptomatic case at the academy, remind parents and carers to use lateral flow tests twice a week. At the academy, we advise that this is on a Wednesday and Sunday evening each week.

Please make sure that once you complete the lateral flow test at home that the result is then uploaded to the NHS website. This should happen whether the test is positive, negative or void.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support

Yours faithfully



Mr P Willerton
Principal

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