



# Trinity Catholic High School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Under the new guidance published by the Department for Education yesterday: all staff, visitors and pupils in school settings are "strongly advised" to wear a face covering (in communal areas) unless they are exempt. The guidance, which is temporary, aims to slow the spread of the Omicron variant and will be reviewed in three weeks. In line with this guidance, here at Trinity:

- a) Until the end of term, staff and students will be strongly encouraged to wear face coverings at all times in communal areas. Guidance on this will be reviewed at the start of the Spring Term.
- b) The school office will provide staff, students and visitors to our school with free face coverings (masks and/or visors) if requested.
- c) Visitors to our school will be expected to wear a face covering at all times when on either of our sites.
- d) Parents are responsible to ensure that their child has a suitable face covering for use in school. Please also ensure that your child has a bag/container for the hygienic storage of the face covering when it is not in use. Face coverings must be plain in design (one colour) and there must be no images, labels or messages.
- e) If your child is exempt from wearing a face covering, they should speak with their Year Leader who will ensure that staff at school are informed about this.

Here at school, we are deeply concerned about the emergence of the Omicron variant of the coronavirus and therefore I believe that the above measures are reasonable steps that we should all support to mitigate the spread of this deadly virus.

Many thanks for your ongoing support with this important school and public health matter.

Yours sincerely,

Dr P Doherty OBE  
Headmaster

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