

11<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parent/ Carers

I am writing to inform you that all NSAT schools have updated school risk assessment protocols now in place in response to the current Covid-19 situation. A copy of the changes is given below. The main difference for those students currently in school is that there is now a requirement for face coverings for students and staff (except those who are exempt) in indoor areas, including classrooms. The exception to this is whilst eating/ drinking and during PE lessons. When outside students do not need to wear a face covering unless they wish to do so.

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Yours sincerely



Mr Mark Turner  
Head of Academy

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**11/1/21: NSAT Amendments to all school Risk Assessments until Further Notice are:**

1. Face masks to be worn at all times within the internal school environment, face masks or visors in classrooms  
(Secondary schools only)
  - a. all pupils (excluding personal exemptions) to wear masks *INSIDE* school buildings
  - b. teachers to wear masks in corridors/communal areas at all times and visors in the classroom
  - c. exemptions for staff within confined office bubbles
2. Visitors: Further restrictions to NSAT policy (all schools)
  - a. no parent/commercial and education visitors to enter school premises unless for safeguarding matters
  - b. essential maintenance/contractor visitors allowed only in areas with no pupils
3. Agency staffing (all schools)
  - a. no new agency/external temporary staffing to be used
  - b. existing agency staff already in place, and only supporting your school, are exempt and can remain
4. Music lessons - all per services to be conducted remotely (all schools)
5. Trips - no trips that require group transport (local 'walking' outdoor trips allowed for critical worker/vulnerable children)
6. Invigilators - use existing staff or require LFT and visitor declaration on arrival (Secondary schools – in the context of BTEC examinations)
7. Parent/Carers must wear masks on entering school premises for pick ups and drop offs (Primary and Secondary)

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