

December 1, 2020

Dear parents and carers

We would like to remind all students and parents that despite lockdown finishing tomorrow, the present guidelines remain in place for the wearing of masks, social distancing and year bubbles. Please can we remind you of the following:

Face coverings must be worn:

- On public transport
- On UTCN contract buses
- On UTCN transport to PE
- At social times ie. break and lunchtime
- Moving between lessons
- In the workshop area

Face coverings do not need to be worn:

- In a classroom, during a lesson, or in private study (however, if your child wishes to wear a face mask they are welcome to do so)
- Whilst students are eating or drinking
- In the school front playground
- During PE

Face coverings must be:

- Plain without decoration, logo or pattern
- Kept clean and regularly changed

Please could I ask for your support in ensuring that your son/daughter comes to school equipped with a clean and appropriate face covering every day. We are still having to give out over 100 masks per week. The mask should be a standard part of school uniform now and behaviour points will be issued to students who do not come into school with a usable face covering.

Project Sleigh - Foodbank Collection

Thank you to everyone who has already brought in donations for 'Project Sleigh'

Just as a reminder the items that are **most needed** by the foodbank at the moment are:

- **Tinned or long-life sponge pudding**
- **Tinned custard**
- **Tinned potatoes**
- **Tinned rice pudding**
- **Tinned fruit**
- **Shampoo**
- **Deodorant for men and women**
- **Tooth brushes**
- **Toothpaste**

There is be a collection point in reception where these items can be left. Please send these items into school by **Monday, December 14**, but as early as possible.

Apprenticeship Information Pack

The latest apprenticeship information & advice for parents, supported by the National Apprenticeship Service is now available. Please follow this **link** for the 'ICYMI' Parental Apprenticeship Information Pack.

In the November issue they are looking at the regional Apprenticeship Awards, WorldSkills UK Live, Top 100 Apprenticeship Employers, a Traineeship case study, apprenticeships in traditional trade areas and more!

Kind regards
Alex Hayes
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Christmas Jumper Day - December 15
Christmas Lunch - December 15
Last day of Term: December 18 at 3pm
Christmas holidays - December 21 to Jan 4

School reopens - Tuesday January 5, 2021
February Half Term - February 15 to February 19, 2021

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