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Update on Omicron and Covid-Safe Measures at School

Dear Parents and Carers of Class 6/7 up,

Jeremy Miles, Minister for Education, has today issued the following statement in response to the new Omicron strain of coronavirus:

“We are now introducing an additional measure, while we learn more about this new strain. All staff and learners in our secondary schools, colleges and universities should now wear face coverings while indoors where physical distancing cannot be maintained. This is a temporary, precautionary measure that will be in place for the remaining weeks of term at which point the position will be reviewed. This should come into effect in all settings as soon as possible.

Throughout the pandemic the Welsh Government's priority has been to maximise learning and to minimise disruption for our young people. With three weeks left of term, it is vital that we ensure that learning can continue for as many learners as possible.

There remains a lot we don't know about this new variant. With this high level of uncertainty, it is right that we remain cautious while prioritising the continuation of education.”

For us this means everyone from Class 6 up will return to wearing face coverings in the School building, unless social distancing can be maintained. The recommendation is that we should be wearing them in all communal areas and in the classrooms unless we can maintain our 2 meter distancing. We will be putting this new guidance into place effective tomorrow.

We have disposable masks onsite, but we ask that you provide your child with their own reusable one to help us reduce the quantity of waste as disposable masks are not good for our environment.

Thank you for all of your continued support in protecting our school.

Kind Regards

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