



**ROUNDHAY
SCHOOL**
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Dear Parents and Carers

As you are aware, government guidance has been constantly reviewed during the coronavirus pandemic.

The government has published a roadmap for the easing of restrictions, which includes changing rules around social distancing and opening up key areas of the economy.

The Department for Education (DfE) has informed the school that moving forwards they are no longer recommending the compulsory wearing of face coverings.

In light of this guidance, we are adopting the following position:

- Masks are no longer to be worn in classrooms.
- The wearing of masks outside the classroom is entirely optional for both staff and pupils.
- We continue to recommend that hands are sanitised regularly.

We will, of course, notify you as soon as possible if any of the guidance changes. I am aware that there are a range of opinions regarding decisions pertaining to face coverings. However, as a state maintained school, we are duty-bound to operate in line with the latest advice from the DfE.

The last year or so has presented many challenges, and I appreciate all your ongoing support. We are working hard to ensure as much normality as possible for our pupils, ensuring that they continue to be safe but making academic progress, whilst being happy and enjoying school.

Yours faithfully



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