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Dear Parent / Carer

Following the government announcements this week, I am writing to provide an update on the revised arrangements in school which will be in place from Monday 17 May.

Students and staff will no longer be required to wear face masks in classrooms during lessons from Monday although if this is preferred, this will of course be permitted. In accordance with the latest guidelines from North Yorkshire County Council, students and staff should continue to wear face coverings in corridors and communal areas in order to minimise the risks of transmission of Coronavirus and to protect our entire school community. We are very grateful to our students for adhering to these guidelines as they make a difference to the safety of our whole school.

As the country moves into step 3 of the roadmap, I would be extremely grateful for your support in ensuring that all students with consent test twice a week for Coronavirus using Lateral Flow Devices. Please report the results to the NHS and to [tests@gps.hlt.academy](mailto:tests@gps.hlt.academy)

Since the return from the lockdown, we have noticed a slight deterioration in the standard of uniform across the school and an increase in the number of students wearing piercings and other jewellery. We are proud of our uniform which helps to create a purposeful atmosphere and expect all students to wear the correct uniform at all times. Our rules on piercings are for safety reasons and the uniform policy is clear in student planners. Therefore, from Monday, we will be enforcing our guidelines more stringently. Students must not arrive at school wearing piercings or other jewellery; if they do so, they will be given a U code and told to remove it / them. Failure to remove these items will result in the student being placed in seclusion. If a student arrives at school with incorrect uniform, due to COVID restrictions, they will be given one day's grace to wear the correct items after which they will be given clean uniform from school to put on or they will be placed in seclusion. Discussions about a lack of uniform distract both students and staff from our core purpose - learning and making progress - so we would like to ask for your support in ensuring that your child has the correct items of uniform to comply with our policy. If there is a particular issue which is preventing your child from wearing

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the correct uniform, please contact school and ask to speak to your child's Head of Year.

I do appreciate that this has been a difficult time for families; as normality comes ever closer, we hope that all students will comply with our expectations so that we can continue to be #ProudToBePindar.

Yours sincerely



Lesley Welsh  
**Principal**