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Dear Families

## Update on face coverings in school and COVID-19 protective measures

In line with Step 3 of the roadmap to re-open the economy and further ease COVID-19 restrictions, the government has announced that it is no longer recommended that students should wear face coverings in classrooms or communal areas in school. Therefore, from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May, students at Haileybury Turnford will not be required to wear face coverings. Face coverings will continue to be worn by staff and visitors in situations outside of classrooms where social distancing is not possible. Equally, any student can continue wearing a face covering if they choose to.

Students must still wear a face covering on public transport, and if travelling on dedicated transport to school, such as in a taxi provided for them.

My thanks to all students and families for your support with responding to the protective measures in place during the period since 8<sup>th</sup> March. We will be continuing with all other protective measures from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May, including continuing to work in year group “bubbles”, regular hand sanitising and the ventilation of indoor spaces. We would also strongly encourage all students to test twice weekly on Wednesdays and Sundays and register test results with the NHS. A positive lateral flow test result should be reported to the school as soon as possible, via [attendance@haileyburyturnford.com](mailto:attendance@haileyburyturnford.com) to enable us to trace close contacts as quickly as possible.

We hope this change to the wearing of face coverings in schools signals a further step towards more normal times from September 2021.

Yours faithfully



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