

St Robert of Newminster Catholic School and Sixth Form College



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Dear Parents and Carers

Given the rise in COVID cases within Sunderland at present and the current discussion around a *local lockdown*, the decision has been taken to make the wearing of face coverings in communal areas within the school (e.g. corridors, toilets, reception area, etc.) compulsory for all staff and students from Friday this week.

- Coverings should not be worn in classrooms or in the school canteen.
- It remains compulsory to wear face coverings on the bus.
- It is not compulsory to wear coverings in outdoor spaces on the school site, but staff and students may do so, if they wish.

If you believe that your son or daughter has a medical exemption, which would apply, please contact their Head of House.

As communicated previously, it is important that students clean their hands before and after touching their mask – including to remove or put it on. They must also store the mask in an individual, sealable plastic bag between use. Parents/carers will be responsible for ensuring their child's mask is clean or new each day.

The situation will be kept under review. Should these rules be extended or relaxed, or should further guidance be issued, we will let you know.

Yours faithfully

Head Teacher

















