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Dear Parent/Carer

RE: Face Masks

I am pleased to inform you that we have seen a reduction in the number of positive COVID-19 cases in school since the start of half term. 12-15 vaccinations took place before the half term break and as discussed in my previous letter we introduced face masks for a two week period. Subsequently, I can confirm that students **will not** be required to wear face masks in school from Monday 15th November. However, we will continue to promote the benefits of face masks with the hope that many will continue to wear them as they do currently.

Additional safety reminders we ask you to support:

- Parents are advised not to send children to school if they are symptomatic and to book a PCR test. Please continue to look out for symptoms of COVID-19 (high temperature, new persistent cough and loss of taste/smell). In addition, parents are advised to consider a runny nose, sore throat, headache and body aches/tiredness as potential COVID-19 symptoms. PCR tests are now available for people with any of the above seven symptoms on the government website.
- Parents are advised to test children **daily** at home using a lateral flow test if there is a household member who has tested positive for COVID-19.
- Parents are advised to test children **daily** at home using a lateral flow test if they have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.
- Parents are encouraged by Public Health Sheffield to give consent to the 12-15 vaccination to help reduce the risk of children or others getting ill with coronavirus (COVID-19)

Finally, please can I ask that parents continue to persevere with home testing, remain vigilant and continue to report all positive cases to covid@meadowhead.sheffield.sch.uk

With your ongoing support we hope to reduce the spread of infection further and minimise disruptions to children's education this year.

Yours faithfully,

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Headteacher

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