



### **Statement on the Use of Face Masks**

I am very much looking forward to welcoming all students back to the academy in September. The Government guidance on the return of **all** pupils to full-time education can be found [here](#).

Over the course of the past term, I have considered all aspects of the school day and how we can take action to minimise risk to our whole community. I shared these strategies in my summer newsletter.

Further to this, I have now considered the use of face coverings in the academy. We recommend that students, where possible, wear a face mask for use in corridors and communal areas, including at break and lunch times. In accordance with government guidelines, this is not mandatory.

Whilst school necessarily has to be different right now, we are working carefully to ensure pupils' school experience is as close to normal as possible and everyone feels comfortable and safe.

We will constantly review and respond to parental concerns or a change in the guidance. If you have any concerns please contact the academy on 01472 328888 or [office@beaconacademy.co.uk](mailto:office@beaconacademy.co.uk).

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