

31 January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Face Coverings for children in Y7 and above

Parents/Carers will no doubt be aware that the Government has removed the need for children to wear face coverings in classrooms or communal areas unless the local public health team asks for them to be worn in the context of an outbreak management plan.

I have been asked to share the advice of the Director of Public Health for Blackpool to support parents/carers and children in their decision making regarding face coverings. His latest advice is to recommend that children (and staff) continue to wear face coverings in communal areas as a minimum. I want to reiterate that this is not the view of the academy but we have been asked to share this information with you.

As from Monday 31st January, the wearing of face coverings for children and staff at Unity Academy is one of personal choice. Children and staff will be able to wear face coverings if they wish to do so in school.

I must stress that this position will be reviewed should case numbers increase or if the Director of Public Health asks us to return to wearing face coverings as part of an outbreak management plan.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. S. Cooke
Headteacher