

# The Oaklands Way

**Half Term Focus: Be kind; keep**

**Safe**





# Use of face coverings in school

Since the start of term we have recommended that all members of our community wear face coverings in communal areas. Some of you have chosen to do this but many have not.

We have now been given the following guidance from the Department for Education..

***'face coverings should be worn by adults and children aged 11 and above when moving around the premises, including activity rooms, such as in corridors and common areas where social distancing cannot easily be maintained.'***

This guidance was released late Wednesday and came into effect Thursday 5.11.2020. As a school we will be enforcing this from Monday (as we would any uniform regulation) but if you have a covering in school with you today please do wear it as directed.

# What does this mean for us?



**ALL** members of the community (students and staff) **MUST** wear a face covering when..

- Walking into school and in muster areas in the morning
- When walking to and from lessons
- In the canteen and corridors
- When leaving the school site at the end of the day
- ANYTIME where social distancing cannot be easily maintained / when bubbles mix

The only time it is not mandatory for you to wear a face covering is when you are in lessons sat facing forward.

# How to wear a face covering correctly



Face coverings are designed to protect the people around you but they are only effective when used correctly.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nW2pW0D9gr0>

## Key Points

Wash your hands for 20 seconds or sanitise before putting your face covering on

Ensure the covering is covering your nose and mouth

Do not touch your face / eyes

Wash or sanitise your hands before taking the covering off

When you take the covering off store it in a clean container

Dispose of disposable coverings in the bin when you get home

Wash reusable face coverings daily

Do not use your face covering if it is wet



If you lose your face covering or it is damaged, there will be masks available at the finance office and your scopay account will be charged.

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