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Dear Parents

The College is working incredibly hard to create a safe, welcoming and disciplined environment in order that students can, for as long as possible, have the advantage of a full time timetable, face to face with teachers and mentors.

We are constantly reviewing measures to, as far as possible, safeguard everyone's wellbeing. There will be a change in tone from Monday 21 September when <u>all</u> students and professionals <u>must wear a face covering</u> during movement time between lessons, this includes entry to the College.

If your child has a medical or any other reason why they are exempt from wearing a face covering please contact Louise Long (long_l@sjd.ac.uk). Mrs Long will work with sensitivity to make sure your child does not feel singled out.

It is essential that I have your full support in this matter and would welcome your taking some family time to affirm the importance of doing the right things to support each other and the College.

Students without a face covering will be delayed when entering the College and will be released early from lessons in order that the wellbeing of others is not jeopardised by their choice or forgetfulness. This will mean some inevitable loss of learning time which students will need to catch up on outside of lessons. Students who have an agreed exemption will, of course, move with all other students.

It is in everyone's best interest to follow the rules and to <u>keep College open</u> with a full time timetable for all students. This must be done safely.

Thank you in anticipation of your understanding and support.

Yours sincerely

Miss K E Kirkwood

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Principal