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Dear parents,

I am writing to you to let you know that UWMAT have made changes to the policy on face masks in their schools.

As the national picture continues to deteriorate in relation to Coronavirus and with local restrictions; further measures are being implemented to Trust Policy in relation to face coverings across the Trust schools.

- From **Monday 5th October**, our Trust position will be that all staff in our primary schools should also protect others by wearing a face covering whilst outside the classroom in communal areas/corridors etc, and where 2m is not possible
- Face coverings will not be routinely worn in classrooms when teaching.
- Pupils should **not** wear face coverings in school.
- All staff will wear face coverings when talking to parents inside or outside the school building
- Parents/visitors who are entering the school premises must wear face coverings in the same way. **This means that masks will need to be worn by parents at drop offs, collection times and when in the school office. Please let the school be aware if you believe that you would be exempt from this.**

Children are now familiar with adults wearing face coverings, however we will talk to children on Friday about the changes so that they are not concerned when they see staff wearing face coverings in the corridors on Monday

I understand that this will be a change for us all around school. If you have any questions, then please call the office or speak to Mr Byrne or myself at handover times.





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Yours sincerely

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