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“Do your very best
for the children”
(Mother Foundress:
Geneviève Dupuis)



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Dear Parents

I hope you are well, and your family are well.

It is hard to believe this is the first Sunday of Advent. We pray that this will be a season filled with great blessings as we prepare for the coming of Emmanuel at Christmas.

This is just a brief update as a follow-up to the new temporary measures, announced by the Prime Minister, following the emergence of the Omicron variant of COVID-19 in the UK.

Face coverings

As you know, we are already wearing face coverings in school, and this is to continue. Face coverings should be worn in communal areas by staff, visitors and pupils, unless they are exempt. Pupils should also continue to wear face coverings on public transport unless they are exempt.

Testing

We are continuing to test twice weekly using lateral flow device (LFD) tests. We are grateful to everyone for all their tremendous support with this as it helps our school community feel more secure.

Contact tracing and isolation

The current guidance on contact tracing and isolation remains in place. There is NO change to this or returning bubbles. However, any suspected or confirmed close contacts of the Omicron variant will be asked to isolate for 10 days regardless of vaccination status or age. In this situation, you will be contacted directly by Public Health England and told to isolate. You have been superb in keeping us informed and if, following a PCR test, it is confirmed that you or a member of your household has tested positive for the Omicron variant, please let us know immediately.

Vaccination

Many pupils have taken up the opportunity to have the vaccination. If your daughter reaches her twelfth birthday or wishes to have the vaccine, she can do so by contacting her GP or going online at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>

In the event of school closure

In the event of heavy snow leading to school closure, there will be a text sent to parents as well as an email sent to parents and pupils notifying you that school is closed, and lessons will be online. Your daughter will receive Teams Invites from her Form Tutor for registration and assembly and from her teachers for her 6 lessons, as per her timetable on that day. Please ensure she is ready to log at 8:50 am prompt.

Please continue to keep in your prayers all of our SPG family and, especially Year 13, as they prepare for their Cambridge, Oxford, Medicine and Law interviews this week.

With every blessing

Dr D.E Casserly
Headteacher

