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Dear Parents

### Important information from Plymouth CAST

From **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September**, Trust policy will be that all staff in our primary schools/First school/nursery school should wear a face covering whilst outside the classroom in communal areas/corridors etc. in the same way that they would in a shop or on public transport.

Parents/visitors who are entering the school premises must wear face coverings in the same way that they do in shops and on public transport etc. Although it is not mandatory to wear a face covering outside the school, however, if you are meeting with a member of our staff and need to communicate face to face, you **must** wear a face covering, unless you are exempt.

Staff who are on duty during morning drop off and afternoon pick up will be wearing masks and all staff will wear them in communal areas throughout the day, unless exempt. **The teaching staff will not be wearing face coverings whilst they are teaching the children.**

Hand hygiene and cleaning routines will **STILL** continue as these are of the utmost importance for stopping the spread of Covid-19.

Primary/First school/nursery school pupils should **not** wear face coverings in school, except in the exceptionally rare circumstances already allowed by the Trust.

Please share this information with any adults that drop off/pick up at St Mary's, including grandparents, other family member, friends, etc.

Well done to everyone for following the guidelines, a gentle reminder, once you have dropped your child off, please leave the school premises as quickly as possible and only one adult to drop off and pick up.



I have visited every classroom this morning and discussed the new routines with the children and answered any questions they had. Teaching staff will continue to support children if there are any questions or concerns.

Your support during this time is much appreciated.

Yours sincerely

*P. Fearn*

Mrs Paula Fearn  
**Head Teacher**