

20th August 2021

Dear parents and caregivers

From **Friday 20th August at 4.00pm** there will be **easing of restrictions**.

Parents/carers and visitors will now be allowed back on school sites, with the requirement they adhere to the ongoing direction regarding the wearing of masks.

This means masks must be worn by all adults inside school buildings but may be removed outdoors, as long as they can keep 1.5 metres apart from other people.

Assemblies and other large group activities including instrumental music groups, choirs, performances, extra curricula sporting activities, and dancing are permitted, adhering to COVID-19 health directions including wearing of masks.

Interschool sport and excursions are permitted.

Visitors and external providers including providers of extracurricular activities will now be permitted on school sites.

Masks must be worn by all visitors and external providers inside school buildings but may be removed outdoors, as long as they can keep 1.5 metres apart from other people.

Wearing face masks

In the 11 LGAs masks must be carried by all adults and all secondary aged students.

Masks must be worn by teachers and staff (all schools), plus students in high school in the 11 LGAs, in all buildings, but may be removed outdoors as long as they keep 1.5metres apart from other people.

The 1.5 metre rule cannot be implemented in classrooms, therefore it is expected that secondary students will continue to wear masks in classroom settings for another week unless health advice determines otherwise.

There are a number of [exceptions](#) to wearing face masks, including for children under 12 (unless they are in Year 7) and people with particular medical conditions or disabilities. Some of these exceptions include:

- anyone who has a medical condition or disability that may be made worse by wearing a mask, including problems with their breathing, a serious skin condition on their face, a mental health condition or experienced trauma
- anyone who is communicating with those who are deaf or hard of hearing, where the ability to see the mouth is essential.

Thank you for your understanding as we continue to work together during these difficult times.

Yours sincerely

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