

## Pendle Community High School & College





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## Update re Covid 19 in school

## Dear Parents/ Carers

This is to keep you up to date in relation to the latest guidance and how it affects special schools and to ask for your continued support in helping school remain safe for pupils and staff.

The Government has now said that masks are no longer required however staff will still be wearing these in communal areas until the next guidance on April 1<sup>st</sup> 2022. Students that want to wear a mask may continue to do so although is no longer essential.

The Government has also advised special schools to continue testing twice weekly until the end of this term and we will still offer this in school and ask that you continue to do so at home if you have been participating in this. Therefore, new test kits will be sent out as planned this week

Whilst the Government has said that it is no longer a legal obligation to stay at home if a person has symptoms of, or is positive for Covid, they advise this should continue in special schools. To avoid full classes becoming ill or having to close classes because of lack of staff, we are asking for your continued support in keeping your child at home if they test positive or have symptoms. Staff will also remain at home if positive to avoid potentially spreading this to vulnerable children.

If you do have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Many thanks and take care

Debra Grogan Headteacher











