



Message from Mr Maltby

14th May 2021

Good afternoon,

From Monday 17th May, students will no longer be advised to wear a face covering at any point during the school day; including corridors and classrooms, unless they choose to do so. A copy of the updated guidance from the DfE on Face Coverings in Education can be found [here](#)

However, students who travel to school by bus will still need to wear a face covering throughout the duration of the journey, unless exempt. Students will then remove their face covering on arrival at school and follow the guidance for sanitising their hands. These key messages will be made available to students on arrival at school on Monday and are contained in the updated Risk Assessment which can be found on the school website.

Can I also take this opportunity to remind you that students should continue to complete lateral flow tests at home each Sunday and Wednesday and upload the results to <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result> and the Academy, using the link for their year group. If your child needs additional test kits, these can be obtained from the main office.

Alongside this important communication, I wanted to use my parent mail today to celebrate some good news. Below are just some of the wonderful commendations I am proud to share in respect of Year 7 students:

Chloe – for achieving her 40th trophy in majorettes
Freddie – for being selected for the Suffolk U12 Boys Cricket team for 2021
Zara – for being selected for the Suffolk U13 Girls Cricket team for 2021
Logan – for mastering the 125cc bike in Motocross and now moving up to 150cc
Bonnie – for working hard in PE and RE and gaining in confidence
Gyllis – for gaining certificates for working hard and studying marine biology outside school and learning to paddle board
Owen – for the great improvements in his reading skills
Amelia – for learning to play the piano this year and working hard in music lessons
Andrew – for learning to play the piano and table tennis this year
Tim – for his hard work in Drama lessons, including leading group work and using his creative ideas to create pieces of Drama
George – for learning how to sail
Ethan – for receiving awards for his hard work during the year and for creating some fantastic practical pieces in Drama
Lorelei – for receiving a certificate in Music and enjoying her singing lessons
Aggie - for making a brilliant model school to present to the class for the RE 'Perfect school project'.

We have wonderful students at Holbrook Academy and I think it is always important to reflect on their achievements during what has been a challenging, and sometimes difficult, time for all.

I wish you all a great weekend.

Tom Maltby
Headteacher