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Dear parents/carers

Further to my recent correspondence via ParentMail, you will be aware that we have had a number of confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 amongst the student population. Most of these have resulted in additional students identified as 'close contacts' who were then required to self-isolate. We want to reduce the number of potential close contacts. It is important that our protective control measures successfully reduce the number of those impacted by any confirmed case of COVID-19; this is vitally important to ensure minimal disruption to students' learning. For these reasons, we will implement additional control measures, effective from Monday 2 November 2020. I summarise the new measures below:

1. We are extending our rules about where face coverings must be worn on campus. Face coverings will now be required in **all** spaces other than in classrooms. This means that students will have to wear their face coverings in the library, study areas, computer rooms, toilets and in social spaces when they are not actively eating or drinking. This includes when sitting at the picnic tables and other outdoor seating areas.
2. We will insist that students wear their face coverings properly – not below their nose or beneath their chin.
3. We are implementing the rule of 6 on campus: we will ask that students do not congregate in groups larger than 6 when not in lessons or in other timetabled sessions.
4. Social spaces will be re-configured over the half-term break so that students do not congregate in groups larger than 6 – we will insist that furniture in Foley (year 12 social space) and the Hayley Hall (year 13 social space) is not moved.

If at any point your child tests positive for COVID-19, please inform the College as soon as possible by emailing [covid@kedst.ac.uk](mailto:covid@kedst.ac.uk). This will enable us to immediately begin the necessary track and trace process to identify close contacts within the College community.

We will continue to remind students of the importance of hand hygiene and of maintaining social distancing wherever possible. Please reinforce with your child the importance of social distancing and the rule of 6 whilst off campus.

We ask for your support in discussing these measures with your child, emphasising the importance of adhering to these rules. The health of every member of the college community depends on all of us working collaboratively to ensure the campus is as safe as it can be. I will write directly to students with this message later in the week and I will also send them a link on Friday to a short video in which I explain these measures and why they are important. Any help you can give in explaining the importance of adhering to these measures will be greatly appreciated.



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I hope that you and your family remain safe and well. I thank you for your continued support of the College.

Kind regards,

Remley Mann  
Principal