



13th October 2021

Dear parents and carers,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well!

I wanted to update you on some important information from school.

Masks

Thank you for supporting us in following Trafford's Public Health directive that students should all be wearing masks for their own protective when moving around school. After a slow start on Monday where we had to give out a lot of our very limited supply of masks, more children are now bringing their own from home. Please can you support us by ensuring they have this as part of their daily equipment for school? Thank you.

COVID testing

A reminder that if someone at home has a positive test, your child can still attend school but should get a PCR and take daily LFTs. If their LFTs or PCR are positive, they must isolate. Obviously, if your child has symptoms of C19 they must stay off and get a PCR. If you have any queries or would like clarification at all, ring the school office. Thank you.

COVID vaccinations

Will be taking place in school on Thursday 21st October. We are still accepting consent forms, please follow the link previously sent. Alternatively, students can collect a blank form from Student Services or the Main Office. Thank you.

Uniform

The weather is getting a little colder and more unsettled. A reminder that hoodies are not part of our school uniform. If students are cold, they can wear a SHS sweater under their blazer. An appropriate warm and shower proof coat- not denim- is part of our uniform and we would recommend that each student has one of these- particularly for when we are lining up. We are also seeing growing numbers of students without ties. We can lend students a tie for the day but students are subject to a C3 detention if they do not have a tie. Again, please support us in ensuring school uniform standards are high

Drop off of forgotten items

A reminder that we aren't able to take forgotten items at the school office.

Mental Health Week

Assemblies this week look at the issue of mental health. As part of this, we have been talking to students about what to do if they themselves are at all worried or struggling with stress or anxiety. The assembly also looked at positive things to do to boost our mental health and sources of support that students could access. The students are clear about who they can speak to at school. If you have any concerns at all about your child contact their Head of Year in the first instance.

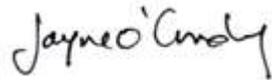
We have two excellent events we are getting involved in this week. On Thursday, **Three Dads Walking**- will be passing school at lunchtime. Please follow the link www.3dadswalking.uk which explains what they are walking for. We will be taking this as a special opportunity to cheer all the dads on but especially Mike Palmer, dad of our former student the very lovely Beth Palmer. You may have seen on

the national news that Daniel Craig has donated £10, 000 to their cause. We wish them all the best with their journey and fund raising. We are looking forward to cheering them on!

On Friday for Mental Health Awareness week, we will be asking students to wear something yellow and bring a £1 into school. This is to raise funds for the mental health charity Mind. We are really hoping that we can raise good funds for their amazing work!

Thanks for all your support!

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jayne O'Grady". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Ms J O'Grady
Headteacher