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Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Parent(s) / Carer(s)

### Covid Infection Rate

I am very pleased to report that our rate of positive COVID infections has reduced considerably so, from Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> October, we will no longer be mandating 'Masks on the Move' in corridors although students are more than welcome to continue to wear them. We will also return to using our PE changing rooms so students should come to school in correct school uniform ready to change for PE at the required time. We will maintain a watching brief and reintroduce one or both mitigations should the need arise.

### Charity Day 2 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Our next charity day will be next Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October. It will be a non-uniform day and students are asked to bring a donation of at least £1. We are supporting the Stroke Association on behalf of one of our ex-students who is fundraising for the charity to thank them for the support he was given after a stroke he suffered in his first year at university. I am sure you will agree – a great and important cause. We will talk about heart health during the day and, if the weather allows, do one of our aerial photographs – something we've been unable to do for quite some time!



### Making healthy food choices (a plea)

Linked to the above, here is my 'plea' from my last letter which is still important (although I have noticed a real improvement) - Do you know what your child is bringing to school to eat? Increasingly I am seeing students eating things like a whole tube of 'pringles' or a family sized bag of 'Doritos' for lunch. We will continue to question such choices at school; please support us by ensuring you know what your child is bringing to school to eat. We will continue to encourage healthy eating choices through education, but I do not rule out the need to start limiting what students are allowed to bring to school to eat if the need arises.



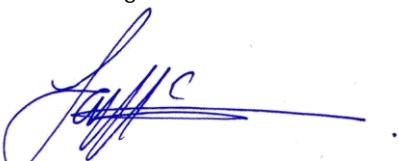
### Remembrance Day – 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021



Advance notice – on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November (Remembrance Day) we will be holding our annual Remembrance Ceremony on our Memorial Copse at the front of the school. The whole school will assemble on the car park ready for readings, a prayer and a beautiful rendition of The Last Post followed by a one minute of silence to think about those lost in all wars be they military or civilian. Parents are welcome to come and take part but there will be no parking on-site. If you do intend to come and take part, please arrive at 10.45am.

Thank you for your ongoing support. Please remember - if you need to ask anything then please email [office@phs.jtmat.co.uk](mailto:office@phs.jtmat.co.uk)

Kind Regards



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