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Dear Parent/Carer,

Face Coverings Update - Primary Schools

As you may be aware the Scottish Government announced changes to the wearing of face coverings in schools and on school transport. These changes will be implemented from 31 August 2020.

This means that from Monday all pupils aged 5 and over will be expected to wear a face covering on school transport, just as they already do on public transport.

Unlike secondary schools, there is no requirement for primary pupils to wear face coverings during the school day, unless they choose to do so.

We understand that some children may not be able to wear a face covering due to an underlying health condition or additional support need. This may be something that could change over time if the opportunity of individual support was provided to the young person to assist in overcoming any potential barriers to wearing a face covering. Any parents wishing to consider this should contact the school.

We appreciate that children may feel more comfortable in using their own face coverings however please be assured that a supply of re-usable face coverings will be available within school if required.

The safety and wellbeing of children, young people and staff is paramount and your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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