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Dear Parent/Carer,

HEAD TEACHER UPDATE

I trust that you and your family are safe and well. I write regarding some important developments for the school and Glasgow City Council.

COVID19: Changes to risk assessment

You will no doubt have heard reports following the First Minister's recent announcements and updated Scottish Government guidance.

From Monday 28 February secondary school pupils will no longer be required to wear face masks in class during lessons. However, face masks will continue to be compulsory in the corridors and other communal areas such as toilets, the concourse, assemblies etc. Therefore, pupils must continue to attend school equipped with at least one mask. While the majority of our pupils take this responsibility seriously, at the moment we are issuing in the region of 150 masks per day. This is unsustainable and is having a significant effect on our finances. I'd be grateful for your support in ensuring your child brings a mask to school.

An updated copy of our risk assessment will be available on our website on Monday.

Academic matters

Please note that SQA exams are going ahead this year, and there are 6 weeks of lessons remaining until these begin. Senior Phase pupils must ensure that they maintain excellent attendance, and are encouraged to attend supported study to help them prepare for their exams. All year groups will receive at least one more report this session, and S3 and S1 parental consultation meetings will take place in March.

Glasgow's Framework for Well-being and Learning

As we hopefully move out of the pandemic, Glasgow City Council and all schools are reflecting on what we want for our young people. As an authority we are keen to build on the successes and lessons learned during the pandemic, and use this as an opportunity to improve, rather than blindly revert to the pre-pandemic situation. Glasgow's Framework for Wellbeing recognises that wellbeing is central to young people's success in education. As valued partners in supporting young people, Glasgow City Council would be delighted to hear the views of parents and carers, and we encourage you to complete this very short [survey](#). Views from parents across the city will be pooled and used to inform the future direction of the framework.

I will keep you updated throughout the term.

Yours faithfully,

Jonathan Graham
Head Teacher

