

## **Re: Pupil PPE at Leytonstone School**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a fantastic start to the school year. Staff put a lot of work into making the school site as safe for everyone as possible and pupils have been patient, flexible and very pragmatic. We are so proud of them and happy to have them back.

### **PPE**

You may already be aware that from Monday 14th September, indoor and outdoor social gatherings of more than six people (households) will be banned in England.

There are exceptions for workplaces, schools and occasions like weddings and funerals.

Schools have not yet been provided with an update from the DfE regarding how these new measures will impact our work and pupil experiences at school; we have therefore made the decision that from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September, any pupil who wishes to wear PPE when in a classroom, may do so.

We will be providing all pupils with training on how to safely use PPE should they choose to wear it.

Please remember that any pupil who arrives at school wearing PPE must remove it prior to entry. Pupils must sanitise their hands before and after removing their PPE. They must then place their PPE in a sealed plastic bag.

This means that pupils at the school will require one mask for their journey to school, a sealed plastic bag and another mask for use within school.

### **Covid-19 testing**

Please be reminded that if a pupil displays symptoms indicating a potential Covid-19 infection, they will be placed in isolation and parents or carers will be called to come and collect the child. You will be advised to book your child in for a Covid-19 test. The address of the nearest walk-in test centre locally is:

**Stanley Road Car Park, Stanley Road, Walthamstow, London E10 7FF.**

Please keep your child and any siblings at home until the results of the test have come through, even if your child's symptoms disappear. If the test is positive, please isolate your child for 14 days. If the test is negative, please send your child back into school when they are feeling better.

Best wishes,

J McQuaid

Head Teacher