

Leytonstone School

Great things will grow Head Teacher: Ms Jessica McQuaid Friday, 16 October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well.

As you are aware, London has now moved into the high alert level, meaning that restrictions are changing for schools here in Waltham Forest.

From Saturday 17th October, we will no longer able to socialise indoors with anyone that we do not live with, either in our homes or in public indoor spaces. Please speak to your child about ensuring that they stay within these limitations. It is very important that we all work together to keep our community safe and well.

From Monday 20th October, we will be asking pupils and staff to wear face coverings in all communal areas of the school.

The guidance from central government and the DfE is clear on this issue:

'In local areas where restrictions have been implemented for certain sectors (from national direction), we anticipate that education and childcare will usually remain fully open to all, with the additional requirement that face coverings should be worn by staff and students in schools and colleges, from year 7 and above, outside classrooms when moving around communal areas where social distancing cannot easily be maintained'

You can read more about the tiering system for educational establishments here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/how-schools-can-plan-for-tier-2-local-restrictions/how-schools-can-plan-for-tier-2-local-restrictions</u>

Please get on contact with the school if you are likely to have difficulties in providing your child with a face mask.

Thank you for your continued support,

Jessica McQuaid **Head Teacher**