

To: all parents/carers

25 September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

I just wanted to thank you for your continued support and positive feedback regarding the operation of the school. We are so proud that most students are working hard and trying their best to cope in these different circumstances.

We have had our first wet day and despite students not being able to go outside they have been excellent. I am very conscientious of the cold weather and the need to ensure students stay warm. Please could I ask you to ensure that your child wears warm clothing because the windows and doors need to remain open.

To assist with keeping the students warm we would like to offer a navy hoodie with a school logo that any child could buy to wear over their sweatshirt to keep them warm as the winter progresses. We recommend large sizes so that they can wear a polo shirt/sweatshirt under these hoodies. The hoodies will have a school logo and will be made by the company that makes our leavers' hoodies. All hoodies will be one colour and will cost £12.00 which you can order via WisePay, by Friday 2 October 2020 so that we can place a prompt order. The order should take 7-10 days to arrive and we will issue the hoodies as soon as possible. We urge you to ensure your child has a warm coat and we will allow leather or polishable boots for the students so they can keep warm.

I realise that many parents/carers have been inconvenienced through trying to get tests but must thank you for your perseverance and express the importance of everyone rigorously following the processes recommended by the Government to keep us all safe. To date we have 35 students with symptoms across the year groups and all tests so far have proved negative. We have 5 outstanding results and will continue to keep you updated.

I understand that there are some parents/carers who are concerned that their children may be trying to use this as a method of avoiding school but I am sure you will all reiterate the importance of taking this seriously and only taking up a test when it is required so that the people who really need the tests can get them.

Yours faithfully



**Ms C Dallas**  
**Headteacher**