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We are strengthening the use of face covering across all sectors, as per the diagram below. In all circumstances the use of face coverings would only be recommended where a 2m social distance could not be maintained. These policies will be reviewed at Easter to consider their continuation into the Spring Term.

Sectors	Cohort	Current Guidance		New Guidance		Comments
		Classrooms 	Communal Areas 	Classrooms 	Communal areas 	
Early Years & Primary	Staff & Visitors			* 		From 8 March, face coverings required by adults in communal areas, unless 2m social distancing can be maintained.
	Children					
Secondary & FE	Staff & Visitors					From 8 March, face coverings required in classrooms and teaching spaces for staff and students, unless 2m social distancing can be maintained.
	Students					
HE	Staff & Visitors					
	Students					

Symbol	Meaning
	Classroom, teaching spaces, lecture theatres - not including during physical activity
	Communal areas including corridors and staff rooms
	Face coverings are recommended
	Face coverings are not recommended
	Use of face coverings at the discretion of headteacher, setting leader or provider as appropriate. *Face coverings should only be considered where social distancing cannot be maintained between staff/adults , not between adults and children.

Updates to mass testing

Sector	Testing
Private Nursery Workforce	Introduce <u>twice weekly home testing</u> from 22 March Childminders access to community testing
Primary School Pupils	No testing
Primary School Staff:	Continue <u>twice weekly home testing</u>
Secondary/ FE pupils:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>4 tests on return</u> (3 via ATS, 1 via home test)• Introduce twice weekly home testing thereafter• Retain small ATS site for those unable to test at home
Secondary/ FE Staff	Introduce <u>Twice weekly home testing</u>
Further Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Twice weekly home testing</u> (for older students in Colleges)• <u>Testing by demand</u> for Independent and Adult providers