

# Kirkbie Kendal School

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Dear Parents, Carers and Students

## **Covid-19 Vaccinations for 12 – 15 year olds**

We have been informed by the NHS Covid-19 Immunisation team that their preferred method for students to get their second Covid-19 vaccination is by booking a slot at the Westmorland Shopping Centre in Kendal, using the link below:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>

The first dose of the vaccine can be administered from the day of a student's twelfth birthday, with the second dose to be at least 12 weeks after the first. The NHS vaccination team administered in school the first Covid-19 vaccine to students for whom consent had been obtained on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021, 14 weeks ago.

Students aged 16 and over are also eligible for the vaccine and if they have not received their second dose then they can also use the above link to book an appointment.

Please note that students on the international trips we are running to Iceland and to Germany will need to be double vaccinated to gain entry to these countries.

## **Masks in Classrooms**

As I write, we currently have 27 students self-isolating due to Covid-19. The DfE have now informed us that from today (Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January) we are no longer expected to ask students to wear masks in classrooms but they will be expected to wear them in communal areas. From Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January masks will no longer be required anywhere in school.

Our students have shown their care and consideration for the school community through wearing their masks and we thank them for this and you for your support of this measure.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Harris  
Headteacher

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