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Dear parents and carers,

As an amber heat warning is in place, we are taking a number of practical steps to help pupils and staff manage the heat in school.

During the amber warning, pupils may wear their school PE kit if this helps them stay cooler. This means their school PE polo top with school PE shorts or skort (not lycra or denim shorts). Pupils may also continue to wear normal school uniform if they prefer, which includes the option of black tailored shorts. Please also ensure that pupils **bring a water bottle, have a sunhat and have applied sunscreen before school.**

We are encouraging pupils to drink water regularly, keeping blinds closed in sun-facing rooms where possible, reducing unnecessary lighting and equipment, using cooler spaces where available, and ensuring pupils have access to shade during social times.

We have also reviewed PE and other outdoor activities. These will be adapted where needed to reduce heat exposure and exertion, including lower-intensity activity, shaded areas, more frequent water breaks, or indoor/classroom-based alternatives where appropriate.

Inside classrooms, staff will continue to monitor conditions and use sensible adjustments where needed. This may include increasing ventilation where possible, adjusting the pace of lessons, allowing regular water breaks, and moving groups to cooler spaces where this is practical. We also have some air-conditioned teaching spaces and portable air-conditioning units, which we will use and rotate around the school as far as reasonably possible.

If a particular room becomes uncomfortably hot or unsuitable, staff will alert senior leaders so that we can consider appropriate action. We are also reminding staff to be alert to pupils who may be finding the heat more difficult. Any pupil who feels unwell should tell a member of staff immediately so that they can be supported.

We cannot remove the impact of the hot weather entirely, but we are actively managing the situation throughout the day and will continue to make adjustments where needed to support pupils and staff.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Dr Wood
Headteacher