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Dear Parent / Carer

As the summer finally arrives in earnest, please note the following:

1) High Temperatures Expected

Due to the high temperatures forecast for next week, we will be adjusting school uniform to support our pupils. Throughout next week there will be no expectation that pupils wear jumpers, blazers or ties. I will write again next Friday to confirm uniform requirements for the following weeks.

2) PE on Sunny Days

Please could you speak to your child about sun safety especially as they will be outdoors in PE and temperatures are going up next week. Pupils to make sure they have sun cream on; they can wear a hat and sunglasses if needed.

3) Water in School

Please provide your child with a water bottle with water in to stay hydrated and encourage your child to refill from the water fountains at break and lunch.

4) Water Safety Awareness

West Midlands Fire Service has asked me to share the following message:

During the hot spell over the late May Bank Holiday weekend and half-term holiday, there were several tragic incidents around the country, many involving young people. The forecast over the coming weeks is for temperatures to rise again.

To keep yourself and your loved ones safe around water please be aware of the following:

- Of all drownings in 2025, 57% took place in inland water – canals, rivers, lakes, ponds – the type of bodies of water we have lots of in the West Midlands.
- Even if the weather is warm the water may be cold, causing your body to go into cold water shock.
- If you fall into water Float to Live – put your head back, float on your back and keep yourself stable by using small movements of your hands.
- Once you are stable you may call for help or swim to the bank if it is feasible.
- Do not go into the water to save people or pets. Call 999 and ask for the Fire Service.

For more information about staying safe around water please visit the West Midlands Fire Service water safety page (<https://www.wmfs.net/safety/water-safety/>) or the RNLI Education Resources page (<https://rnli.org/youth-education/education-resources>).

Yours faithfully

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