



Wednesday 24th June 2026

Heatwave Uniform Adjustments

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for the feedback we have received about the heat in school. We understand the concerns that have been raised.

It has been very warm across the school building and, with temperatures expected to remain in the high 20s, we know it is important that students are as comfortable as possible while still maintaining sensible standards in school.

I want to reassure you that we have listened and have already taken the decision not to enforce the blazer and tie policy during this period of hot weather.

These temporary changes will apply on Thursday 25 June and Friday 26 June.

Students may continue to wear tailored shorts if they choose to. Tailored shorts are already part of our school uniform and can be worn throughout the year. Students who wear skirts do not need to wear tights during this period of hot weather.

Students should still wear a white school shirt, along with school trousers, a skirt, skort or tailored shorts. Most students are wearing their school shirt with the top button open, which is absolutely fine during this period. Some students may choose to continue wearing their full uniform, and that is also fine.

We are taking a sensible and practical approach while the hot weather continues.

Please can I also remind parents and carers that hydration is very important. We have water fountains in school, but students should bring a bottle of water with them each day so they can drink regularly.

Many students also enjoy being outside at break and lunchtime. Please make sure your child has high factor sun cream applied before school, especially while the hot weather continues.

I hope this provides reassurance. We will continue to monitor the weather and how students are managing in school. As always, our priority is to keep students safe, comfortable and ready to learn.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

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