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Dear Parents and Carers

We are heading towards two more very warm days next week on Monday 30th June and Tuesday 1st July, so I need to make a decision before the weekend regarding uniform.

It is important that students are as comfortable as possible during the particularly hot weather. Therefore on Monday and Tuesday students in Year 7-9 will be given the option of wearing PE kit if they prefer. Please note this is not compulsory, but should your child choose to wear PE clothes it is important that they only wear their **school PE kit, with no variations.**

Year 10 students are out of school on work experience.

This arrangement will be in place up to and including Tuesday 1st July, after which the usual uniform expectations will apply. We will, of course, review this should the high temperatures continue.

It is also sensible for students to take other precautions, for example wearing an appropriate hat at break and lunchtime. In addition, please can you ensure that your child has applied sun cream before they come to school and bring extra with them for re-application during the day.

Hydration in hot weather is also very important. I have noticed that several students still arrive at school without water bottles, so I would be grateful if you could ensure that your child has a water bottle with them every day. It is also important that they consume sufficient liquid before coming to school. Students can fill their water bottles at the beginning of the day, during break and lunchtime. I am sure you understand that it is not appropriate to have students leaving lessons to fill bottles when there are other opportunities to do this. The school will clearly take a reasonable approach when students request the use of toilet facilities.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

Mr Matthew Quinn
Headteacher