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Dear Parents and Carers,

Managing Hot Weather in School – SPORTS DAY POST-PONED to Friday 26th June 2026

Having looked for previous communication sent we can see that we had the same weather at the same point last year. As we experience warmer temperatures this week, we want to reassure you that we are taking a number of steps to ensure pupils remain safe, comfortable, and able to focus on their learning during the school day.

Although there is currently **no upper legal temperature limit** set for schools in England, we are taking a sensible and proactive approach to managing the heat and minimising disruption to learning. Due to the forecast hot weather, we have made the decision to postpone Sports Day.

Current guidance advises against children undertaking strenuous physical activity when temperatures are around 30°C. As the safety and wellbeing of our pupils must always come first, we do not feel it would be appropriate to hold Sports Day under these conditions.

We have a reserve date in place of **Friday 26th June** and hope to run the event as planned on that day, and hope that the weather is forecast is set to be cooler.

We appreciate that this may cause some inconvenience and apologise for any disruption to arrangements. Thank you for your understanding and support as we put the children's best interests at the centre of this decision.

We have implemented the following measures:

- Encouraging pupils to drink water regularly and refill their bottles throughout the day.
- Keeping blinds and curtains drawn in classrooms during peak sun hours to reduce indoor temperatures.
- Opening windows in the morning when it is cooler.
- Once the outside temperature becomes **hotter than the indoor temperature**, close windows and **blinds/curtains** on the sunny side of the building to prevent hot air and solar heat entering.
- Re-open windows later in the afternoon or evening when the outside temperature falls below the indoor temperature again.
- Increasing ventilation by opening windows and doors where safe to do so.
- Using **fans in classrooms** and other areas to help air circulation.

- Modifying physical activity, including limiting strenuous outdoor play or PE during the hottest parts of the day.
- Offering indoor or shaded areas at break and lunchtime for children to cool down.
- Reminding children to avoid excessively physical activity during their break and lunch
- Requesting pupils to remove hoodies and jumpers if they arrive to school with these

How You Can Help:

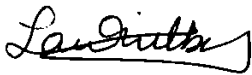
To support your child during this period, we ask that parents and carers:

- Ensure your child brings a **refillable water bottle** each day. (If we can request that if you are freezing a bottle of water they have an additional bottle with them so they are not reliant on waiting for water to melt to get access to drinking water).
- Apply **long-lasting sunscreen** at home before school.
- Provide a **hat or cap** for outdoor use.
- Dress your child in **lightweight and breathable uniform** as permitted and avoid them bringing a fleece or jumper at all.
- If your child has any specific medical needs affected by the heat (e.g. asthma), please ensure we are fully informed and any medication is provided and in date.

We will continue to monitor the situation closely and adjust our approach as needed in line with advice from the Department for Education and Public Health England.

Thank you for your support in helping us to keep everyone safe, healthy, and comfortable.

Kind Regards,



Miss Louise Whitby
Headteacher