



Heatwave

Dear Parents and Carers

You are likely aware that a heatwave is due to impact us on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Temperatures could exceed 35 degrees Celsius in our part of the country.

As a consequence, we have been consulting guidance from our Local Authority and reviewing our risk assessments to keep children and staff safe.

Parents and Carers are reminded to:

- apply sunscreen to your child before coming to school, preferably factor 50. Look out for 5 star products that offer high UVA protection. We will support children to reapply cream during the day.

We will use our sunscreen for this, unless you have provided us with an alternative. Please do not leave suncream in your child's bag.

- ensure your child brings a water bottle to school. We will support the children to drink with increased regularity and to top these up.

- ensure your child arrives with a sun hat, ideally with a wide brim, or legionnaire style to avoid sunburn to the head, ears and neck.

- dress your child in light-coloured clothing to help keep them cool.

- ensure footwear is appropriate for school (avoid flip-flops, jelly shoes or heels please).

Children's outdoor learning will be strictly limited. Alternative indoor activities will be arranged to keep the children out of the sun.

Please note that in extreme temperatures, the school may need to close early. This is not a decision that would be taken lightly and would be as a last resort.

As always, please ensure we have your up to date contact details and that you are always contactable.

Thank you