



22 June 2026

SHN/NLE/RSA

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that your child attends school in the correct uniform and for working with us to help maintain consistency across our school community.

As you may be aware, the Met Office has now upgraded the current weather warning to red, and we want to reassure families that the wellbeing, comfort and safety of our students remain our highest priority during this period of exceptionally hot weather.

Today, we noticed that a very small number of students chose to wear incorrect shorts and cycling shorts / Nike Pro style shorts that are not part of our approved school PE kit which has been previously shared with parents and carers.

We would like to gently remind families that students may wear either:

- Their full school-branded PE kit, which can include black leggings;

or

- Their normal school uniform, without the requirement to wear a blazer or tie over the next few days.

To support families and to ensure fairness and consistency for all students, the school has purchased a supply of brand-new Hart School PE shorts, which will be available to loan to students on arrival tomorrow should they wish to wear shorts.

We would also like to respectfully remind families that our expectations regarding uniform remain in place. While we have made temporary adjustments to support students during this period of extreme heat, these expectations are designed to ensure fairness, consistency and a sense of belonging across our school community.

Should students choose to refuse to follow the agreed uniform expectations, the school will apply the procedures outlined within our Behaviour Policy. We sincerely hope that this will not be necessary and ask for your continued support in working with us to avoid any unnecessary conflict. We will always try to work with students and families to resolve any uniform concerns.

#### Additional Measures

We are also putting a number of additional measures in place to help students remain safe and comfortable during the hot weather, including:

- Providing access to cool classrooms and shaded areas during social times;
- Reminding students during tutor time about the importance of staying hydrated;
- Providing jugs of water available alongside our existing water fountains;



- Adapting PE lessons to make them less strenuous and moving activities indoors where appropriate;
- Suspending practical food lessons to help maintain comfortable classroom temperatures; and
- Encouraging students to wear a hat and sunglasses when outside during social times.

We would also be grateful if parents and carers could support us by ensuring that children arrive at school wearing sunscreen and with a refillable water bottle where possible.

Thank you once again for your understanding and support. By working together, we can ensure that our children remain safe, comfortable and ready to learn throughout this period of unusually high temperatures.

Yours sincerely

Miss R Sandham  
Principal