



# HIGHWORTH WARNEFORD SCHOOL

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## Amber Weather Warning

Dear Parent/Carer

The closer we get to the start of next week, the more obvious it is that we are going to have to deal with some incredibly high temperatures on Monday and Tuesday. With old building stock, the school is not particularly well-placed to cope, so we need to make sure that everyone is suitably prepared.

We have received some fairly obvious guidance from the UK Health Protection Agency around keeping indoor spaces as cool as possible and we will re-room lessons where specific classrooms get too hot.

In addition:

- Students need to come to school on Monday and Tuesday in their PE kit (back to normal for the last two days of term).
- They **MUST** have a large, refillable water bottle. It doesn't have to be anything fancy - lots of youngsters currently just reuse an old plastic bottle.
- We will direct students to shady or indoor spaces at break and lunchtimes.
- PE lessons will be inside and activities adapted, so they don't overheat.
- We strongly recommend that they wear sunscreen or sunblock – a minimum of factor 15 but preferably higher.

For students who come into school by Local Authority transport (not buses organised by the school) there is potentially a problem. Don't shoot the messenger, but we have been advised that services will probably not run due to the hot weather - they will decide on Sunday evening and publicise it via their website and other media channels. We will contact you if we find out any sooner. Meanwhile, please make back-up arrangements.

Yours faithfully

Andy Steele  
Headteacher

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