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Dear Families,

Welcome back to Porthcawl Comprehensive School, I hope that you had an enjoyable summer. This is a letter from myself regarding the warm weather we are currently experiencing. May I start by thanking all families, who, as we start the term, have ensured their child is wearing school uniform in accordance with our policy. Your support is very much appreciated. On Tuesday 5th September, as I circulated the school, the standards of school uniform were exceptional. Standards are extremely high at Porthcawl Comprehensive School and ensuring students adhere to the uniform policy is very important to us. We have high standards and high expectations for all, and we pride ourselves on this.

Warmer Weather

I have monitored the weather situation since we returned from the summer break, and as you will know, the forecast indicates that temperatures will return to a seasonal average the week beginning Monday 11th September. Therefore, I thought I would highlight what our approach will be to ensure students are as comfortable as possible for the next few days.

- There is no summer uniform at Porthcawl Comprehensive School. Therefore, students will continue to wear their normal school shirts and ties but do not need to wear their pullovers/jumpers. Today, to keep cool, very many of our students are wearing a short sleeved, loose fitting, white or blue cotton shirt.
- Students will be encouraged to bring water bottles/water to school. We have several water dispensers located at various points around our school site making it easy for students to refill their bottles during the day at break and lunchtime.
- We have ensured our rooms and learning spaces are as ventilated as possible.
- During break and lunchtime, students spend time outside and may wish to bring a hat/sun cream. Our school site is a large site, and many students enjoy the field space and the surrounding areas/facilities, therefore a hat/sun cream is advised.

IMPORTANT: please note that on Friday 8th September there will be school photographs for Year 7, Year 8, Year 9, Year 10 and Year 12. This day involves almost 1000 students having their school photograph taken. We have planned a programme to run throughout the school day. Please also note that photographs for Year 11 and Year 13 will follow later in the academic year.

Very soon I will write again to provide an update for the term and the academic year ahead. Many thanks for your continued support at this time.

Best wishes,

M Stephens

Headteacher