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Dear Parents / Carers,

### Warmer Weather

As you will be aware, for a few days of this week we have experienced temperatures above the seasonal average, with today being the last day of the 'higher' temperatures. During this time, I have regularly reviewed the daily and long-term weather forecasts from the BBC and the Met Office and the forecast from Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May onwards suggests that daily temperatures in Porthcawl will return to what we would expect for this time of year. As we move into next week, I can see that temperatures will return to 18-16 degrees with lower UV levels and a lower 'feels like' temperature (showing as 13-14 degrees on some days).

For information:

- There is no summer uniform at Porthcawl Comprehensive School. Pupils will continue to wear their normal school shirts and ties but will not need to wear their pullovers/jumpers. This is the only change to uniform during this period with all other items remaining the same.
- If temperatures were to increase to an uncomfortable level for a long period of time, I will write to let you know what adjustments will be put in place – you will be contacted via ClassCharts. If a temporary adjustment, such as wearing PE kit was put in place, this would be a short-term measure and it would only last for the period of excessive temperatures. Please note, this adjustment is not in place at this time, and I will continue to monitor the weather forecasts as we move through the summer term.
- Pupils should be encouraged to bring water bottles/water to school. We have a number of water dispensers located at various points around our school site making it easy for pupils to refill their bottles during the day at break and lunchtime.
- During break and lunchtime, pupils spend time outside and may wish to bring a hat/sun cream. Our school site is a large site, and many pupils enjoy the field space and the surrounding areas/facilities, therefore a hat/sun cream is advised.

As we know, forecasts can remain or change quickly, so with this in mind, during the summer term, if the weather turned warmer for a longer period of time, as per our policy I will write to you with regards to any temporary changes to uniform outlining any adjustments.

Best wishes,

Mike Stephens

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Headteacher