



22 June 2026

Dear Parents & Families

In response to the weather warnings issued for this week St Dunstan's School, working alongside MNSP Trust, are reviewing guidance and taking the following steps-

- All students will be allowed to wear PE kit leaving ties, blazers and jumpers at home. If students are unable to wear the branded polo shirt, they will be permitted to wear a plain white non branded t-shirt or polo shirt.
- To help keep students hydrated we will be allowing pupils extra time to fill water bottles between lessons and providing additional drink stations to support hydration. We ask all families to ensure that their child brings a refillable drinks bottle to school.
- Students will be asked to minimise physical activity at break time or lunch time, making the most of shaded areas on the school site.
- We ask that students bring in sunscreen and regularly apply throughout the day. Students are also encouraged to wear sun hats whilst outside.
- We will be reviewing our extra-curricular events. All after school activities will be cancelled. Scheduled trips will be reviewed and we will notify parents of any important updates.
- PE lessons will be planned to minimise activity outside and time will be provided for drink breaks and shade. Students will be encouraged to wear a hat and sunscreen during these sessions.
- We will continue to put in sensible steps as required to support students as we move through each day. Parents and families will be notified of any significant adjustments as soon as possible.

We are aware that there are schools who are managing things in different ways across the South West. We are continuing to monitor the weather forecast and working closely with schools in the trust and the Local Authority to ensure the safety of children in our care. Additionally, we are working in line with the DfE Guidance for Hot Weather and Heatwaves and the UK Health Security Agency. Given that Wednesday and Thursday are forecast to be particularly warm, we may decide to take further action. We will notify you as soon as we receive further guidance and are able to determine next steps.

'Part of the Midsomer Norton Schools' Partnership'



Thank you for your support in advance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P Balkwill', written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Mr P Balkwill
Headteacher