

27th June 2026

Dear Students and Parents/Carers,

Return to Normal Uniform – Hot Weather Update

I am writing firstly to thank you and your child for the way in which you have supported the school this week during what have been some genuinely challenging conditions. The cooperation of our students and families has been greatly appreciated, and I hope that the arrangements we have put in place have helped to make the school day as comfortable as possible.

During this week, a number of measures have been in place across school to help manage the heat and protect the wellbeing of all students, including:

Additional water stations provided around school, with pupils actively encouraged to keep hydrated throughout the day

Classes relocated to cooler rooms where possible, and staff encouraged to maximise ventilation and minimise unnecessary use of heat-generating equipment

- Ball games and sport suspended over the lunch break, the astro closed, and the Old Hall opened as a cool indoor space for pupils to use at lunchtime
- A temporary relaxation of the uniform policy, allowing students to remove blazers and ties, and to wear PE kit where preferred
- Pupils encouraged to use shaded areas, wear hats outdoors, apply sunscreen and report any feelings of dizziness, headache or heat-related discomfort to a member of staff immediately
- We are grateful that these measures have been well received and that students have responded so positively throughout the week.

Uniform Arrangements for Next Week

Having reviewed the weather forecast for Bridgnorth next week, we are pleased to confirm that temperatures are expected to be significantly lower and more comfortable. In light of this, we will be returning to normal school uniform from Monday. We do, however, want to continue to make a small allowance given the time of year, and so the following will apply:

- Full school uniform, including ties, should be worn from Monday
- Blazers will not be required to be worn.
- All other elements of the school uniform policy remain in full effect, including plain black polishable shoes (no trainers, boots or pumps)
- We will of course continue to monitor conditions and will communicate promptly with families if any further adjustments are needed

Thank You

We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank you and your child for your patience, understanding and cooperation throughout this week. Managing a school in exceptional heat is a team effort, and the positive attitude shown by our students and the support offered by families has made a real difference. We hope everyone has a restful and enjoyable weekend.

A Reminder for All Students

Even as temperatures ease next week, please continue to encourage your child to come to school well prepared for warm weather. We recommend:

- A filled water bottle brought from home each day
- Sunscreen applied before leaving home on warmer days
- A hat or cap for use at breaktimes and lunchtime when outdoors

Thank you again for your continued support and co-operation. If you have any queries regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

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