

Armthorpe Academy Enriching Lives, Inspiring Ambitions

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## Hot weather forecast

As you are undoubtedly already aware, the weather forecast for Monday and Tuesday next week is predicted to be extremely hot. As such we will be adapting our uniform policy. Students have the option, should they wish, of attending school in PE kit. This will enable students to wear shorts and a T shirt and trainers, which will hopefully help to keep them cooler. Please note, the options are normal uniform (minus tie and a blazer) or PE kit, not non-uniform and certainly not flip flops, sandals or sliders.

We will be taking precaution with regards to PE lessons. If we feel it is too hot for students to be outside, then alternative arrangements will be made. At break and lunch, the air-conditioned Sports Hall will be opened to allow students to remain inside should they wish.

A Public Health heat warning has been issued. Please encourage your child to apply sun cream before they leave home. When in outdoor areas, students will be permitted to wear a hat and sunglasses. These items however must be removed when inside classrooms.

Please encourage your child to drink fluids. There are water fountains in school that can be used at break and lunchtime to replenish empty bottles.

Please note, as per previous communication, water pistols or any similar play items are banned in school. Any such items will be confiscated at the gate for students to collect.

We appreciate everyone struggles in such extreme heat in this country, but we are trying to make as many reasonable adjustments as possible to safeguard our school community.

As always, if you have any questions/queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards

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