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Dear Parents and Carers,

Hot Weather Arrangements – Important Information

We are writing to inform you that very high temperatures are forecast over the coming days. Guidance shared with schools by the Education Department highlights that high indoor temperatures can affect children's comfort, concentration and overall wellbeing.

At Samares School, our building can become extremely warm during hot weather due to its south-facing position. This is especially noticeable in our upstairs classrooms, which can become very hot in the summer months, and in our Nursery, where the conservatory area retains heat. With high temperatures forecast over a number of consecutive days, heat is likely to build up within the building, making indoor environments progressively warmer. We will therefore be making some temporary adjustments to the school day to ensure that all children remain safe and comfortable.

What we will be doing in school:

- Encouraging children to drink water regularly throughout the day
- Providing shaded areas during break and lunchtime
- Changes to lunchtime provision, including not playing football or other ball games (please pre-warn your child about this).
- Adjusting lessons and activities to avoid the hottest part of the day outside
- Reducing or adapting physically demanding activities such as PE
- Keeping classrooms as cool as possible by using ventilation, blinds and fans

How you can help:

- Please ensure your child brings a **water bottle** to school every day
- Apply **sunscreen** before school
- Provide a **sun hat or cap**
- Dress children in **light, comfortable clothing** in line with our school uniform – school shorts and t-shirts are accepted.

We will continue to monitor the situation carefully and will make further adjustments if necessary. Any significant changes to routines will be communicated with you promptly, which could include over this weekend. **This might include an earlier finish for some or all classes, or a full day closure if the extreme heat continues and the inside temperature of the school is not safe for the pupils.**

Thank you for your support in helping us keep all children safe and comfortable during this period of hot weather.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, comments or queries.

Many thanks,

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