



7th July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Yellow Warning Heat Wave

As you may be aware, we are expecting temperatures to slightly exceed 30 degrees celsius over the next three days. Given the forecast, we will again allow students the opportunity to wear their **PE kit from Wednesday 8th July through to the end of the day on Friday 10th July 2026**. As previous, this must either be Vyners branded skorts or shorts along with a Vyners polo shirt. No non-Vyners brand items will be permitted. Students may also wish to remain in their school uniform. If this is the case, then blazers may be left at home through this period. Please also note that where the wearing of PE kit exposes jewellery this should be removed.

Sixth Form students may wear shorts (no denim), a smart t-shirt with a collar (Vyners branded polo/PE t-shirt or other). Bare shoulders are unacceptable. It is imperative that every Year 12 student wears a lanyard in the interests of safeguarding.

We will be making all mitigations in line with our heat risk assessments as previous, which includes re-rooming of lessons to cooler parts of the school where necessary. I would also add that the Department for Education yesterday quite belatedly published guidance for further periods of hot weather in which it clarified that schools should remain open as long as it is safe to do so and that it welcomed the fact that the vast majority of schools took appropriate mitigations and made adjustments enabling them to stay open during the previous spell of hot weather. Where the schools remain open, students are expected to attend and any absence should be coded as unauthorised. Schools are permitted to make alternate arrangements for vulnerable students and adults.

I would very much appreciate parental support with regard to uniform standards and attendance through to the end of the academic year.

Yours sincerely

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