

# Newburgh CE Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Due to the hot weather we are experiencing this week I wanted to outline the measures and provisions in place in school to deal with the high temperatures. The situation has been risk assessed and we are following the Department for Education (DfE) guidelines to ensure that all children remain safe, comfortable and able to learn effectively as possible in these conditions.

## What we are doing in school

To manage the heat, we have put the following measures in place:

Regular hydration – children are being encouraged to drink water frequently throughout the day and refill their water bottles

Cooler classrooms – windows are opened early in the morning, and blinds are closed to reduce heat build-up. Windows are closed once the temperature outside increases, to trap the cooler air within the school

Reduced physical activity – PE and other strenuous activities are adapted or avoided during the hottest parts of the day

Adapted breaktimes and lunchtime – children will have access to time outside in shaded areas but may also have inside breaktimes as well

Extra monitoring – staff are closely monitoring children for any signs of heat-related discomfort or illness

Changing learning environments to ensure the coolest areas are being accessed

Providing children with ice pops/ ice lollies



## What we ask parents/carers to do

Ensure that your child:

brings a refillable water bottle to school every day

wears their PE kit and keeps their arms and legs uncovered

brings a sunhat for outdoor use

has long lasting suncream applied before school

has long hair tied up

Should the temperatures continue to rise further we will:

Increase the number of rest and water breaks

Further reduce physical activity

Make timetable adjustments to keep children comfortable

Our priority is the safety and well-being of all pupils. We are continuing to monitor conditions closely and will take necessary steps in line with national guidance. If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards



**Rebecca Fowler**  
**Headteacher**

