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Dear Parents/Carers,

PLANS FOR MANAGING THE PREDICTED EXTREME HEAT TOMORROW

As you would be aware, we have experienced some very hot weather recently and tomorrow is forecast for extreme temperatures.

We are acutely aware of the importance of providing a safe and healthy environment for all of our students. To assist in keeping them comfortable tomorrow, we have planned some modifications to the learning activities and organisation of the day. Following is an outline of practices that we will be implementing during the predicted high temperatures tomorrow:

- Students will remain inside the air conditioned areas of our school during play times.
- Educational programs will be adjusted to minimise potential for heat stress i.e. no physical activities and rest time for younger students.
- Students are encouraged to bring more than one water bottle. They will be given regular access to water during class times and water spray bottles will be used by teachers.
- We **will not** be holding our planned assembly in the hall, but instead students will have 'Buddy Time' in either the Library or Year 5/6 classrooms which are air conditioned. A movie may also be played during this time. Assembly awards for the week will be handed out at Morning Assembly next Monday.

If you consider that your child/ren may experience heat stress or be too uncomfortable in the predicted high temperatures tomorrow, you have the option of either keeping them at home or picking them up early from school. All students picked up early will need to be signed out at the front office.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Rachel Smith
Principal (Acting)