

Risk assessment - HEATWAVE July 2022

Key risk: Health will be affected due to extreme heat				
Sub-risk	Assessed risk if no actions taken	Controls in place	Considering controls in place, current assessed risk level	Further key actions to be taken and by when
Adequate measures are not in place for children and staff to remain hydrated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Children are to all be reminded to bring their water bottles - Staff schedule regular times for children to fill up their water bottles - Staff have water bottles with them - Children without water bottles are given a cup at the start of the day (teachers to check and organise this) - Regular reminders to be given to children about staying hydrated 		Reminder to all about water bottles in email and newsletter
Children and staff are at risk of heatstroke/ sunstroke		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Check the temperature isn't excessive at morning break. If more than 30° break is to be inside - During play time in the morning, encourage children to stay in the shaded areas of the playground - Encourage children to not run about too excessively - Limit play time to 15 minutes - Hats to be worn outside - PE is to be limited to morning only if outside or inside - First aiders are aware of the symptoms of sunstroke/ heatstroke so any cases are quickly identified 		First aiders check signs and symptoms of heatstroke
Children at risk of sun burn		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Newsletter reminders about children wearing sun screen to school every day during the heat - Limit time children are outside to 15 mins - Children are to wear hats outside 		Newsletter item
Children and staff are outdoors when the sun is harshest		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Children are to be either indoors or only in a shaded area during lunchtime when they are not in the hall for their lunch 		
Children/ staff who are vulnerable in terms of health are not accommodated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify the children and staff who might be vulnerable during the heat 		Teaching staff consider pupils in their classes and act accordingly

		- ensure these people follow the most stringent measures at all times and allow additional drinks breaks/ time in cooler spaces		
Strict dress codes lead to overheating		- children are to be encouraged to wear summer uniform or school PE kit - all jumpers/ cardigans to be put on pegs at the start of the day - no strict staff dress code to be in place but clothing must maintain decency		Newsletter item
Rooms/ spaces in school are too hot		- Windows should be opened in school by the site team first thing in the morning to release any residual heat - Close blinds - when air outside is warmer than air in the classroom, reduce the opening on the windows to maintain ventilation but keep the room cooler - if classroom is too hot, staff are to move the class to a cooler space (either hall, The Hive, KS1 shared areas) - Reduce residual heat by turning off electrical items		DS to implement SS and AM to check on Monday and Tuesday before school

		LIKELIHOOD				
		VERY UNLIKELY	UNLIKELY	LIKELY	HIGH LIKELY	ALMOST CERTAIN
SEVERITY	NEGLIGIBLE	LOW	LOW	LOW	LOW	LOW
	MINOR	LOW	LOW	LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM
	SERIOUS	LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	HIGH
	SEVERE	LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH
	VERY SEVERE	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH