



22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing with an important update regarding the arrangements for the rest of this week. Today, our students and staff coped exceptionally well with the high temperatures. However, the latest Met Office weather forecast indicates a period of unprecedented, extreme heat.

Our school building features a unique roof design that presents temperature challenges, particularly in our top-floor classrooms. Based on current internal temperature readings, risk assessments, and the exceptionally rare Red Weather Warning issued for later this week, we are taking action to prioritise the safety, health, and comfort of our school community and to provide you with as much notice as we can.

Please read the following details carefully to plan for the days ahead.

### **Tuesday, 23rd June – Early Closure at 1:25pm**

In light of the increased heat and Amber Weather Warning in place tomorrow, the School will close early tomorrow at the end of Period 4 at 1:25pm.

- **Uniform:** Students may wear either their school PE kit or their adapted summer uniform (plain white shirt with tailored shorts/skirt), whichever they find most comfortable.
- **Free School Meals (FSM):** Food will be available for eligible students to collect at 1:25pm immediately prior to departure. Food will be available for all students during morning break.
- **School buses:** We are currently working closely with our bus providers to arrange an early collection for tomorrow.
- **On-Site supervision:** Staff will remain on site to fully supervise students who cannot get home at 1:25pm or need to wait for their bus. Supervision will take place in designated, cooler rooms until normal dismissal at 3:10pm or until students can be collected or their buses arrive.

### **Wednesday 24th & Thursday 25th June – School Closure**


With the Met Office Red Warning in place for Wednesday and Thursday - **the school will be closed to all staff and students on both days.**

We never take decisions like this lightly, but given the rare, severe warning issued, closing the school is necessary to ensure everyone's safety and welfare.

*Details regarding remote learning arrangements for Wednesday and Thursday will be sent out in a separate communication tomorrow.*

Thank you for your understanding and continued support as we respond to this challenging situation. Please look after yourselves and stay safe in the heat.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike Stratford', with a wavy line extending to the right.

Mike Stratford  
Headteacher