



15th July 2022

Dear parent/carer,

## **Government predicted extreme heat warning**

The Met Office has now issued a red extreme heat warning for Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July, Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. The weather is forecast to be extremely hot in Balsall Heath.

To ensure the safety and wellbeing of staff and pupils, **we have decided to close the school at 12pm on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July**. We have taken this decision in conjunction with local schools.

School will open as normal in the morning and we will close early on these days to avoid the hottest part of the day. All pupils who are entitled to free school meals will take home a cold packed lunch, provided by the school.

Throughout next week, children must come to school with:

- Sunscreen applied
- Loose, light clothing (non-uniform)
- A sunhat
- A water bottle

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> will return to a normal school day, finishing at 3.15pm** as the temperature drops. **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> will also be a 12pm finish** as we break for the summer holidays.

Please collect your child promptly at **12pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and 3:15pm on Wednesday**.

Unfortunately, this also means that the Year 4 trip on Tuesday will no longer go ahead. This will be rearranged for the Autumn term. More information on this will be shared nearer to the time.

For further guidance, please see: <https://www.britishskinfoundation.org.uk/how-to-stay-safe-in-the-sun>

Thank you for your co-operation and support.

Yours sincerely,

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