

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2026

Extreme Heat Arrangements – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July & Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July

Dear Parent/Carer,

Following the continued high temperatures and forecast weather conditions for Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026, we have reviewed the arrangements for the school day.

After considering the welfare, safety and wellbeing of our students and staff, the Academy has made the decision to **close early at 1:30pm on both Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026**. This follows the same welfare-focused approach outlined in our previous extreme weather communications.

Students will attend school at the normal start time and follow their usual timetable throughout the morning.

The arrangements for both days will be as follows:

- The school day will operate as normal throughout the morning, with students attending Periods 1 and 2, followed by break, and then Periods 3 and 4 as usual.
- Lunchtime will be brought forward to **1:10pm**, providing all students with the opportunity to eat and have access to a cold drink before leaving the school site.
- The Academy will close at **1:30pm**, at which point all students will be dismissed and free to leave the school site.
- Students are strongly encouraged to **travel directly home** following dismissal and to avoid spending unnecessary time outside during the hottest part of the day.

Please note that these early closure arrangements will be in place on both Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026, with students being dismissed at 1:30pm on both days.

We ask parents and carers to ensure that appropriate arrangements are in place for students to travel home safely following the early dismissal.

Students should continue to take sensible precautions during the hot weather, including bringing a refillable water bottle to school, staying hydrated throughout the day and avoiding unnecessary exposure to direct sunlight.

The safety and wellbeing of our students and staff **remain** our highest priority. We appreciate your continued understanding, flexibility and support during this period of exceptionally warm weather.

The Academy will continue to monitor weather conditions and will communicate any further changes to families, if required.

Yours sincerely,



Kim Donovan  
Principal