

25th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

School Closure – Friday 26th June

Following a review of the latest weather information, site conditions and our risk assessment for the extreme heat, we have taken the difficult decision to close the school to students on Friday 26th June.

This decision has not been taken lightly. As a large secondary school, we have considered carefully the number of students and staff on site, classroom temperatures, movement around the building, the availability of shaded areas, and the additional risks associated with travel to and from school during the hottest part of the day. Our priority must be the health, safety and wellbeing of all students and staff.

We appreciate that school closures can create disruption for families, and we apologise for the inconvenience this may cause. However, given the forecast conditions and the potential impact on students and staff, we believe this is the safest and most responsible course of action.

Students should not attend school on Friday 26th June. Students who are eligible for Free School Meals will be issued with a voucher. This will be sent directly to the parent/carer email address we hold on our system. The voucher will be to the value of £3 and is redeemable at a range of retailers.

Staff will not set live lessons, but will set work for classes directly to classcharts. Where possible, students are also encouraged to use the day to complete any outstanding homework, revision or reading.

We would also ask parents and carers to remind students of the serious dangers associated with swimming or playing in open water, including lakes, rivers, canals, reservoirs and other unsupervised areas. In hot weather, young people may be tempted to cool off in these places, but cold water shock, hidden currents, sudden changes in depth and unseen hazards can be extremely dangerous. Please speak to your child about making safe choices and avoiding open water unless it is part of a supervised activity in a designated safe area.

The school will reopen as normal on Monday 29th June. We will continue to monitor the weather and will make any further adjustments if required. Unless you hear otherwise, students should attend school as usual on Monday.

Thank you for your understanding and support as we take this precautionary step to keep our school community safe.

Yours faithfully



Ms E O'Connor
Headteacher