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Dear Parent/Carer,



Heatwave

As you may know, we are expecting exceptionally high temperatures on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th July. Temperatures are forecast to exceed 35 degrees Celsius by late afternoon.

Although there is no legal limit for classroom temperatures when children must legally be sent home, the Government Health and Safety Executive (HSE) states that as a school, *we have a responsibility to ensure conditions are 'reasonable' for pupils.*

There is no stated temperature threshold but there is agreement that anything above 30 degrees Celsius is not a reasonable temperature for pupils to work under. We know that heatwave temperatures can make pupils lethargic and affect concentration.

In light of this, we have taken advice from Hackney Education:

- **School will close at 2pm on both Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th July.**
- **We would be grateful if you would pick up your child(ren) between 1.45 – 2pm.**
- **If you are unable to pick up your child until 3.30pm, there will be provision in school for those pupils.**
- **We will shorten the lunch hour to enable lost learning time to be recovered and also to reduce the time your child spends outside at lunchtime.**
- As stated in previous communications, school will close at 2pm for all pupils on Wednesday 20th July as this is the final day of term. There will be no wrap around provision on this day. All pupils must be collected by 2pm on this day – there will be no provision for looking after pupils after this time.

Regarding wrap around provision, if you normally use this service please would you inform the school office if you will need this service next Monday 18th/Tuesday 19th so we can make the necessary staffing arrangements.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Caroline King
Executive Head Teacher