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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you will have heard today, the Met office have now issued an extreme heat warning for next Monday & Tuesday.

Our priority is the safety and wellbeing of the children and we have therefore taken the decision to close the school at **<u>1.30pm</u>** on **Monday 18th July and Tuesday 19th July.** There will be no Yellow or Purple nursery and Blue nursery will close at 1.30pm in line with the rest of the school. Orange and Green nursery will open as usual.

Childcare options will be available for those parents who are unable to collect their children at 1.30pm, however please be advised that afternoon temperatures are set to reach 40C and the safest place for your child is at home in a cool environment. Temperatures inside classrooms have reached above 30C recently and we are anticipating this to be much higher given the extreme temperatures that have been forecast for Monday and Tuesday. Without air conditioning in classrooms, we have serious concerns around the health and safety of our very young children.

If you require childcare after 1.30pm, please email the school office to request this.

There are a number of activities that had been planned for Monday and Tuesday next week and we would like to do our best to ensure the children still enjoy some of these activities however we have had to make some adjustments. Please see below:

Nursery Teddy Bear Picnic – Monday 18th July

Unfortunately, we have taken the decision to cancel the Teddy Bear Picnic and instead we will give the children a treat of an ice cream/ice lolly on Wednesday which nursery will provide.

Year 1 and Year 2 Party Day – Monday 18th July

This will take place in the morning before lunch. Please bring a small snack such as a packet of biscuits, crisps, popcorn – anything dry that does not need refrigerating or will melt easily. Children will share their snacks with the class so please do not include any food containing nuts or nut products. Children may wear their party clothes to school, however please ensure these are clothes suitable for the hot weather.













Saturn Leavers Assembly – Monday 18th July

Saturn class assembly will go ahead at the scheduled time of 1.45pm and you will be able to take your children home as soon as it finishes. The assembly will take place in the Great Hall – parents should arrive from 1.30pm for a prompt start at 1.45pm. We will ventilate the hall as much as possible.

Reception and Year 1 Pretend Holiday – Tuesday 19th July

This will go ahead in the morning and activities will take place as much as possible in cooler areas of the school.

Mercury Leaver's Assembly – Tuesday 19th July

Mercury class assembly will go ahead as scheduled at 9.15am in the infant hall.

Jupiter Leaver's Assembly – Tuesday 19th July

Jupiter class assembly will go ahead at the scheduled time of 1.45pm and you will be able to take your children home as soon as it finishes. The assembly will take place in the infant hall – parents should arrive from 1.30pm for a prompt start at 1.45pm. We will ventilate the hall as much as possible.

In addition to the above, we will also be scheduling classes during the morning to ensure that all children spend some of their learning time in areas of the school where there is air conditioning.

As per yesterday's message, please make sure children come to school with a sunhat, water bottle (frozen if possible) and lots of sunscreen.

Thank you

Best wishes

Mrs S Yay-Walker Headteacher