



Beaufort School, Stechford Rd, Hodge Hill, Birmingham, B34 6BJ

15/07/2022

Dear Parents/carers,

Re: Heatwave Alert-School Closure

As you will be aware, I have written to you to alert you to the amber weather warning for early next week. I also explained how we intend to mitigate the risk.

However, the Met Office has now been changed this alert to a red warning for the first time ever. As a result, we have decided to close the school on Monday and Tuesday next week.

We have explored various ways to ensure that we can keep our children safe enough and cool enough during the extreme weather conditions we will be facing. However, having looked at the risks and the vulnerability of our children, we cannot ensure that our classrooms will be safe enough for the children.

We are also very concerned about those of you who have children travelling home from school during the hottest time of the day for an extended period of time.

We feel this would also put our children at risk from extreme temperatures, especially for those whom the extreme heat will exacerbate their existing medical conditions. Therefore, we have reluctantly made the difficult decision to close the school to pupils and staff on Monday and Tuesday. At the moment, we are planning to open as normal on Wednesday 20th July. We will of course update you if anything changes in the meantime.

We are sorry to have to make this decision, and I appreciate the disruption and inconvenience that this will cause. I hope you understand that we have made this decision in the best interests of our children.

Kind regards,

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