

# Haselworth Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We wanted to update you following the letter we sent yesterday regarding the extreme temperatures that are forecast for the next 2 days.

This is a situation we have not faced before, and we are carefully considering how best to support our children across the school. Many of our pupils and staff are finding the heat extremely challenging, and we are seeing that they are struggling to regulate their body temperatures in our very warm school environment, with indoor temperatures.

As always, our priority is the health and wellbeing of the children in our care. With this in mind, and whilst we are conscious of not wishing to cause disruption, we do feel that full school days in these conditions are not ideal at present.

Following the completion of an updated adverse weather risk assessment for extreme heat and in consultation with the Chair of Governors it has been decided that the school will have a partial closure on Wednesday and Thursday at 12.30pm due to the red alert for temperature. The children will all have had their lunch by this point. Children will need to be collected from their usual doors. Due to the school day ending before 3pm, children will need to be collected and will not be allowed to walk home alone.

If you are struggling to make alternative arrangements, please contact the school.

Morning attendance remains compulsory but, absence during the afternoon will be authorised due to the extreme heat.

We appreciate your understanding and support as we respond to these unusual circumstances and aim to do what is best for the children.

Yours sincerely

Mrs N. Jones

Headteacher