

16.7.2022

EARLY SCHOOL CLOSURE

Dear Parents and Carers,

By now, you will be very aware of the extreme weather situation that is coming our way over the next few days. After consulting with the St Ralph Sherwin CMAT Executive Team, St. Joseph's will carry out a partial closure on Monday and Tuesday this week.

Following the updated 'RED' alert from the Met Office and the Level 4 National Heat Health Warning issued by the government yesterday, it is imperative that we do what we can to help pupils and families remain in good health during this period.

You will have heard that some schools in the area are closing completely and some are not. We would like to put the following arrangements in place to support you, your families and your own work commitments.

Plan for Monday -

- School open from 7.30am for Breakfast Club as normal for those children who are booked
- Lunchtime to start earlier so that children can have a short period of time outside in shaded areas
- Parents to collect children at 1pm
- Any who cannot be collected at that time, must be collected by 3pm
- Parents who had children in for After School Care will be refunded

The above plan is also proposed for Tuesday afternoon as it is possible that this could be the hotter day. As this situation could change, we ask for parents to prepare for the early closure again on Tuesday, unless we confirm that we will remain open. School buildings cannot support extreme heat of this kind and can become very uncomfortable for the children even on normal hot days.

As for uniform, all children are welcome to come to school in PE kit if this is a more comfortable option. You may feel that it is more appropriate for your child to come in their summer uniform. Please ensure that all children come to school with a water bottle, hat and sun cream.

Further support

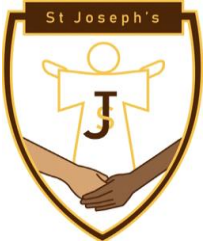
As always, if you have any questions or need any further support during this time, please email helpline@jph.srscmat.co.uk



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I would like to take this opportunity to apologise for any inconvenience this may cause you or your family and to thank you for all of the support that you continue to give our school.

God bless

Mrs Churchill (Head Teacher)



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