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Dear Parent/Guardian

Arrangements for Next Week – Physical School Closure Monday and Tuesday

As you will be aware, temperatures for next week are expected to be extremely high with the BBC currently predicting temperatures of 40 degrees on Monday. As a result, we have made the difficult decision to physically close the school for students. This is a collective decision which has been made by the Trust Leadership Team, including all Headteachers, with the students and staffs' health at the heart of it. We know that children 'cannot control their body temperature as efficiently as adults' as per government advice found [here](#), and therefore it is important that we put measures in place to protect our community. To highlight the issue we are facing, we have 6 rooms with air conditioning out of 100 plus rooms and in some rooms the temperature this week has been 5 degrees above the outside temperature.

Work will be provided on Google Classroom and in some instances, this may be live. Please ask your child to check Google Classroom at the beginning of the day for work that has been set and where live lessons are occurring. Students will be expected to attend their tutor period which will be on Google Meets via their tutor Google Classroom on both days. Monday will have work provided for all 5 lessons and on Tuesday periods 1-3 with a finish time of 12.15pm.

We have not taken this decision lightly, but the health and safety of our students is paramount to everything we do. I will be writing to you next week with my end of term letter and this will include arrangements for the start of term in September.

I apologise for any inconvenience this has caused but the health of our community will always be my first priority.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Gibson
Headteacher