

25<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to you regarding the hot weather we are experiencing and how we are managing it.

Our approach is guided by Trust-wide protocols, which include ongoing dynamic risk assessments throughout the day, as well as continuous dialogue with colleagues across other schools within and beyond our Trust. This allows us to ensure our response remains proportionate, evidence-informed, and aligned with sector practice. We also follow the local Guidance from North Northants as well as the DfE [Hot weather and heatwaves: guidance for schools and other education settings – The Education Hub](#)

Whilst other local secondary schools are closing earlier today, we believe we are able to remain open as usual, although we will continue to evaluate the weather today and into tomorrow. As a school built for 1500 pupils but with less than 500 students, we believe we have the space and facilities to keep students safe and relatively cool, which might not be the case in schools at capacity.

In terms of monitoring conditions, we are carrying out regular, on-site assessments of temperature, ventilation, and student wellbeing. This includes:

- Frequent staff check-ins with students during lessons
- Ensuring access to water and encouraging regular hydration
- Adjusting lesson delivery where necessary
- Allowing electric fans
- Observing for any signs of heat-related fatigue or distress

Students are supervised throughout the day, with staff maintaining regular contact to ensure they remain cool, hydrated, and well. We have also carefully considered the wider safeguarding context. We believe students are safest when in school, where they can be supported and monitored appropriately. If students were not in school, there is a concern that some may not have access to suitable environments at home and could instead be outdoors or unsupervised in direct heat, without the same level of oversight. Our site provides appropriate shaded areas and indoor environments that, while warm, remain within a reasonable range that does not prevent teaching and learning from taking place safely. We continue to monitor this closely, and should conditions reach a point where they present an unacceptable health and safety risk, we would not hesitate to take further action in line with our protocols.

Please be assured that the safety and wellbeing of our students remains our highest priority, and we will continue to review conditions throughout the day.

Warm Wishes



Mr Norris  
Principal