



18<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Dear Parent / Carer,

As you will all be aware, we are expecting record temperatures again tomorrow, possibly exceeding those we are experiencing today. In order to ensure all students are able to make their way home before the hottest part of the day, we will be releasing students early tomorrow.

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July will run as follows:**

8:30 – 8:50	Form Time
8:50 – 9:50	Lesson 1
9:50 – 10:50	Lesson 2
10:50 – 11:30	Break (students will have access to the canteen and will be able to collect a lunch if in receipt of free school meals)
11:30 – 12:30	Lesson 3
12:30	Students will be dismissed

We appreciate this may inconvenience some parents/carers hence us being open as usual today as we have aimed to create as little disruption as possible. However, with temperatures possibly exceeding today's record highs, our priority must be to ensure all students are as safe and comfortable as possible. The academy will be open as usual on Wednesday as a significant drop in temperature is forecast and we look forward to seeing students off to start their summer break. A reminder of these arrangements is below:

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Last day of term:**

8.30 – 9.30	Period 1 - normal lessons
9.30 – 10.30	Period 2 – normal lessons
10.30 – 11.15	Extended break – where students will be able to get lunch
11.15 – 12.15	Form time
12.15	Students dismissed

Can I take this opportunity to thank all students for their resilience and cooperation today. It has been good to see them taking the opportunity to re-fill water bottles at break times and making use of the cooler indoor areas we have made available to them. Students may continue to wear PE kit or adjusted



uniform (no tie/blazer required), whichever they are most comfortable in tomorrow, and non-uniform as already planned on Wednesday. Please remind students to pack water bottles on Wednesday as it will still be very warm. Please can your child contribute £1 on arrival on Wednesday; all proceeds will go to the Rainham Foodbank. Only appropriate clothing is permitted, no offensive slogans, revealing tops/skirts/shorts.

Finally, please encourage your child to come straight home once dismissed tomorrow. Although areas such as local parks may seem appealing, we would urge all students to be indoors and remain as cool as possible tomorrow afternoon/evening.

Yours sincerely



**Claire Whiley**

Vice Principal