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Thursday 25 June 2026

Extreme Heat - Friday

Dear families

Firstly, a huge thank you to all of our families, pupils and staff for doing all that is practically possible to make this week as comfortable as possible – we really do appreciate your support.

As I am sure you will imagine, the school buildings have become hotter by the day, simply because we cannot cool them down overnight. Therefore, come the afternoon, all of our schools and rooms are incredibly warm, despite the many fans and air coolers, etc.

Friday 26 June 2026

Tomorrow, the forecast is even hotter, with 'feels like' temperatures of 31°C by 10.00am and 39°C by 2.00pm! Naturally, our main priority is to keep all children as safe and comfortable as possible, but that is going to be incredibly difficult in these conditions. Therefore, we have taken the decision to allow for some flexibility tomorrow, **Friday 26 June 2026**, as follows:

- School attendance will be at the discretion of parents/carers, and if you would prefer your children to **not** attend school then this will be **authorised**;
- We are offering a '**morning only**' option with a collection time of **1.15pm**;
- We are also offering an early collection before 3.15pm, **only if** you cannot make the **1.15pm** collection time.

This will enable us to better manage the health and safety (and comfort) of all by:

- Closing off hotter rooms/parts of the school;
- Re-arranging smaller groups of pupils into cooler areas of the school;
- Allowing vulnerable members of staff to work from home.

Please note, the school **is open** tomorrow as usual between 8.40am – 3.15pm; there is space and provision for any and all children, and the purpose of this letter is not to encourage children to stay away from school. However, we are recognising the extreme temperatures and the cumulative effect that this has on children, and are therefore giving parents/carers the flexibility to make decisions based on individual circumstances.

Communication

In order that we can account for all pupils tomorrow, please can you let the school know either by email, telephone or in person if your child will **not** be attending school all day tomorrow (i.e. if they will not be attending school at all, or if they will be collected at 1.15pm).

As I am sure you will appreciate, these decisions are not taken lightly and follow consultation with Infinity Academies Trust leaders and governance.

Business will resume 'as usual' from Monday 29 June 2026.

Many thanks for your understanding and for your continued support.

Kind regards



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