



Jennett's Park CE Primary School

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Optional early pick up

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Dear Parents and Carers,

With very high temperatures forecast for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week, we will be offering an optional early pick-up from 12:45–1:15pm on all three days.

This arrangement helps us keep everyone safe. Some families cannot collect and need to work or cannot move to cooler locations. By allowing those who can collect early to do so, we reduce the number of children and staff in the building, which keeps conditions manageable for everyone. Last time we used this system, around 150 children remained on site out of 450, and this made a significant difference to safety and comfort. We didn't need to close unlike other settings.

Heat Management

Temperatures inside the building rise quickly due to trapped warm air, reduced wind speed and increased humidity. On similar days, indoor temperatures have reached ****30°C by 8am****, even when it is cooler outside. These factors make the afternoons particularly challenging.

To keep children safe:

- all children may wear sports kit **in school colours** inc suitable footwear (cros and covered sandals permitted).
- All children will be indoors by 11:00am.
- After 11:00, as yellow heat, children may have short movement breaks outside (maximum 10 minutes), and only in shade.
- All children will be back indoors by 12:40pm.
- Gates will open 12:45–1:15pm for optional early collection.
- Children not collected will continue the afternoon in cooler indoor spaces but parents may still collect.

Learning

For children collected early, small, manageable learning tasks will be set on Tapestry/Seesaw each day. These tasks should be completed by next week.

Wrap-Around Care (WAC)

WAC will be closed Wednesday, Thursday and Friday due to the heat conditions.

Sports Day

Sports Day will still go ahead at 9:00am on Wednesday and Thursday.

We are not offering early pick-up on Tuesday because the heat build-up inside the building is significantly worse by that point in the week, and conditions become less safe due to falling wind speed and rising humidity.



Thank you for your understanding, flexibility and support as we work together to keep everyone safe during this hot spell. Thank you also to those offering to raise money for the necessary adaptations to make the building cooler. This is a long term project but lots of exciting things planned.

Yours sincerely



Liz Savage
Headteacher of Jennett's Park CE Primary

