



Ormiston NEW Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Following careful consideration, and in light of the Red Heat Health Alert currently in place across parts of the UK, the decision has been made to close Ormiston NEW Academy to all students tomorrow, Thursday 25th June 2026.

This decision has not been taken lightly. Throughout the current heatwave, the academy has implemented a range of measures to maintain a safe environment for students and staff. These have included increasing access to drinking water, encouraging regular hydration, adjusting activities where possible, making use of shaded areas, and taking steps to reduce exposure to excessive heat during the school day.

Despite these measures, the forecast temperatures and associated health risks mean that we can no longer be confident that we can provide a sufficiently safe environment for all students tomorrow. The safety and wellbeing of our young people must always remain our highest priority.

Closing the academy is always a last resort. We fully recognise that this decision will result in missed learning opportunities and may cause inconvenience for families. Education is extremely important, and we know that students benefit greatly from being in school. However, given the exceptional circumstances and official weather warnings, we believe this is the most responsible course of action.

We ask that parents and carers continue to take precautions to stay safe during the extreme heat. Some simple steps include:

- * Regular drinking of water throughout the day.
- * Staying indoors or in shaded areas during the hottest part of the day (typically between 11:00am and 3:00pm).
- * Wearing lightweight, loose-fitting clothing.
- * Keeping homes as cool as possible by closing curtains and blinds during the day.
- * Avoiding strenuous physical activity during peak temperatures.
- * Applying sunscreen and wearing a hat if spending time outdoors.

We expect to be open as normal on Friday 26th June as the temperature starts to decrease. Should anything change, we will notify you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Please take care, stay safe, and look after one another during this period of extreme weather.

Yours sincerely

Mr. C. Cooling
Principal