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Friday 15th July 2022

Dear all who are associated with Sunnydown,

If you have not seen the parent mail regarding the extreme heat early next week, please do carefully consider our advice and position. The email is repeated below for reference.

Presentation Afternoon 2022

Our Presentation ceremony was described as the best organised and most inclusive event ever attended by both of our special guests, Mick Gayle and Ernie Brennan who were representing the Global Peace Games. High praise indeed.

Thank you to families who were able to attend remotely. Initial feedback has been very positive so this format will be enhanced for future events. A huge thanks to Mrs Jensen and Mr Wright, both supported by a team here at school, for coordinating a sensational afternoon of celebration.

All awards are listed below, as is tradition. I will however remind us of three specific awards.

The School Council Award went to Freddie Phillips. Our School Council is essentially the voice of the entire student body. All students are encouraged to share any ideas about school life, how to improve it or even what is working well, with their form class council representative. These views are then shared and discussed on a weekly basis. Freddie has participated proactively, representing the views of his peers very maturely.

The David Payne Award was received by Max Mahboobani. This award recognises creativity and with Max being nominated from several different staff from across the school, his talents were certainly appreciated and valued. Also nominated were Alfie Monk, Elvin Sermuksnis, Jacob Kelly, Toby Chapman and Nathan Small. All of these young men should be incredibly proud to have been nominated for this prestigious award and continue to express their specific talents creatively.

A new award for 2022 was the RICE³ Award, received by Liam Tushingham. RICE³ stands for **Resilience**, **Independence** and **Cooperation** achieved or developed through accepting the **encouragement** from staff, **enabling** the young person to be **empowered** to grow beyond what he may have thought possible. Liam captures this in his transformation from a lively yet at times timid and uncertain Year 7 child to a Year 10 young man ready to take on the world and succeed. Liam's name will now be added in gold to a new honour board, hanging proudly in the entrance to the school. Special mention must be made for the other major candidate - Jamie Rogers. Jamie, like Liam, has transformed. The difference though, is that Jamie's transformation has happened rather recently, since January actually. I explained to the audience that should Jamie continue with his current progress, I would be surprised if he was not nominated again in the future.

Ernie and Mick from Global Peace Games handed out certificates to Year 10 recognising their representation of the UK at the Global Peace Games. Mr Wright has written about this trip previously.

Summary of Prizes and Certificates:

7N - Miss Newcombe		
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Kasra Alavi	Food Technology	Progress in PSHE
		Excellent Attendance
		Effort in Humanities
		House Point Total = 197
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Charlie Carter	Communication	Excellent Attendance
		House Point Total = 197
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Harvey Caruana	Reading	Always trying in PE
	Maths	Progress in Food Technology
	Citizenship/RE	Excellent Attendance
		Effort in Art
		Effort in DT
		Moving to the next flightpath in Maths
		House Point Total = 250
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Luke Dean		Progress in Food Technology
		Progress in English
		Excellent Attendance
		House Point Total = 167
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Harry Franklin	PE	Consistent approach to learning in Food Technology
	Humanities	Effort in Maths
		Progress in Science
		Excellent Attendance
		Contribution to the KS3 Football Team
		Moving to the next flightpath in Maths
		Moving to the next flightpath in PE
		House point Total = 242
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Bailey Goodliffe		Certificate for Reading

		Effort in Maths
		Excellent Attendance
		House Point Total = 187
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Dominic Hanley		Listening to others in Communication lessons
		Progress in Maths
		Progress in Citizenship/RE
		Excellent Attendance
		House Point Total = 221
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Jacob Kelly	English	Effort in Maths
	100% Attendance	Moving to the next flightpath in DT
	DT	
	Art	House Point Total = 215
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Alfie Monk	PSHE	Progress in Food Technology
	Science	Effort in Maths
		Effort in Humanities
		House Point Total = 251

70 - Mrs Ogle		
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Callum Annis	Food Technology	Excellent Attendance
	English	Effort in Art
	Maths	Progress in Science
		Effort in PSHE
		Progress in Citizenship/RE
		Moving to the next flightpath in Maths
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		Moving to the next flightpath in Science
		Moving to the next flightpath in PE
		House Point Total = 297
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Jonathan Edwards	Reading	Progress in Maths
	DT	Excellent Attendance

		Effort in PSHE
		Moving to the next flightpath in Art
		Moving to the next flightpath in PE
		House Point Total = 212
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Michael Hanley	100% Attendance	Progress in Maths
		Effort in PSHE
		House Point Total = 189
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Charlie Histed	Communication	Effort in Maths
		Effort in PSHE
		House Point Total = 254
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Jayden Peters		Progress in PE
		Effort in Maths
		Effort in PSHE
		Moving to the next flightpath in PE
		House Point Total = 181
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Lithar Po-Ba	Art	Progress in Food Technology
	Science	Listening to others in Communication lessons
	PSHE	Certificate for Reading
		Effort in Maths
		Engagement in Humanities
		Progress in Citizenship/RE
		House Point Total = 244
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Leo Sumsion		Excellent Attendance
		Enthusiasm in DT
		Effort in PSHE
		House Point Total = 190
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Ollie Taylor	PE	Consistent effort in Food Technology
	Humanities	Progress in English
	Citizenship/RE	Progress in Maths

		Effort in PSHE
		Moving to the next flightpath in Maths
		House Point Total = 269
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Alfie Tharle		Effort in PSHE
		Improved resilience
		House Point Total = 157

8D - Miss Drake		
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Toby Chapman	Musician of the Year	Effort in PSHE
		Progress in Food Technology
		Excellent Attendance
		House Point Total = 284
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Sonny Chater	Reading	Effort in PSHE
		House Point Total = 230
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Logan East		Effort in PSHE
		Moving to the next flightpath in PE
		Excellent Attendance
		House Point Total = 293
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Teddy Foster	DT	Effort in PSHE
	Maths	Achievement in PE
		Excellent Attendance
		Moving to the next flightpath in Maths
		House point Total = 350
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Edward Gair		Effort in PSHE
		Progress in Food Technology
		Progress and active learning in Science
		Progress in PE
		Moving to the next flightpath in Science

		Moving to the next flightpath in PE
		House Point Total = 327
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
James Hall	PSHE	Resilience and effort in Food Technology
	English	Listening to others in Communication lessons
	Science	Certificate for Reading
	Citizenship/RE	Excellent Attendance
		Effort in DT
		Effort in PE
		Effort in Humanities
		House Point Total = 384
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Charlie McSorley	Food Technology	Effort in PSHE
		Excellent Attendance
		Excellent effort and consistent contributions in English
		Progress in Citizenship/RE
		House Point Total = 361
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Freddie Phillips	School Council Prize	Effort in PSHE
	Communication	Resilience and effort in Food Technology
	Art	Certificate for Reading
	Humanities	Progress in PE
		Excellent Attendance
		Always applying effort in English
		Progress in Maths
		Progress in Citizenship/RE
		Moving to the next flightpath in Maths
		Moving to the next flightpath in PE
		House Point Total = 428
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Nathan Small	PE	Effort in PSHE
	PSHE	Excellent Attendance
		Effort in Art
		Progress in Maths
		Moving to the next flightpath in PE
		House Point Total = 419

	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Harry Vaughan		Effort in PSHE
		Always supporting his peers in English
		House Point Total = 324

8T - Miss Thompson		
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Sonny Burgess		Effort in PSHE
		Den Building Coordinator
		House Point Total = 236
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Taylor Conway	Food Technology	Effort in PSHE
		Progress in PE
		Excellent Attendance
		House Point Total = 402
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Felix Drummond	PSHE	Consistent approach to learning in Food Technology
	English	Listening to others in Communication lessons
	DT	Effort in PE
	Art	Excellent Attendance
	Humanities	Progress in Maths
		Effort and progress in Science
		Progress in Citizenship/RE
		Moving to the next flightpath in Science
		House Point Total = 503
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Max Gibbins	Reading	Effort in PSHE
	Maths	Applying effort to all activities in English
	PE	Moving to the next flightpath in Maths
		Moving to the next flightpath in Science
		House Point Total = 415
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Antony Harper		Effort in PSHE
		Achievement in PE
		Moving to the next flightpath in PE

		Contribution to the KS3 Football Team
		House Point Total = 295
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Andrew Hendry Smith	Citizenship/RE	Effort in PSHE
		Consistent approach to learning in Food Technology
		Certificate for Reading
		Progress in PE
		Progress in Maths
		Being so conscientious in English
		Effort in DT
		Effort in Humanities
		Moving to the next flightpath in PE
		House Point Total = 478
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Finley Marley		Effort in PSHE
		Achievement in PE
		House point Total = 261
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Jensen Powell		Effort in PSHE
		Progress in Food Technology
		House Point Total = 173
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Hamish Scott	PE	Effort in PSHE
	Science	Effort in Art
		Moving to the next flightpath in PE
		House Point Total = 361
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Jayden Smurthwaite	Communication	Effort in PSHE
	PSHE	Effort in PE
		Having an excellent attitude and working so hard in English
		Progress in Citizenship/RE
		Excellent Attendance
		House Point Total = 386
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE

Alfie Wilson		Effort in PSHE
		Effort in PE
		Progress in Maths
		Progress in Citizenship/RE
		House Point Total = 315

Presentation Evening 2022 - Prizes & Certificates

<u>9C - Mr Cassim</u>		
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Varen Estwick		Effort in Humanities
		Excellent Attendance
		Moving to the next flightpath in Maths
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		House Point Total = 434
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Ryan Gellett	PSHE	Excellent Attendance
		Most improved in Art
		Effort in PE
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		House Point Total = 560
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Callum Lagan	Communication	Effort in Science
		Progress in Food Technology
		Excellent Attendance
		Most improved in Art
		Effort in PE
		Moving to the next flightpath in Science
		House Point Total = 500
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Max Mahboobani	DT	Effort in Food Technology
	Art	Excellent Attendance
		Progress in Maths
		Effort in PE
		Effort in Humanities
		Effort in PSHE

		House Point Total = 572
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Ollie McEvaddy	Reading	Independence in Science
		Won Gold in the KS3 200m
		Effort in PE
		House Point Total = 446
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
James Millar		Progress in Maths
		Mentoring with the Year 7 students
		Won Gold in the SSSSA Athletics Shot Put
		Contribution to the KS3 Football Team
		House Point Total = 487
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Ty Small	Science	Listening to others in Communication lessons
	100% Attendance	Effort in PE
	Maths	Effort in Humanities
		Moving to the next flightpath in Maths
		House Point Total = 574
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Oscar Stewart	Food Technology	Certificate for Reading
	PE	Effort in DT
	Humanities	Effort in PSHE
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		Contribution to the KS3 Football Team
		Won Silver in the SSSSA Athletics 100m
		House Point Total = 503

9M - Mr Moody		
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Lucas Abrams	Humanities	Certificate for Reading
		Excellent Attendance
		Progress in PSHE
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		House Point Total = 608

	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Joshua Benton		Resilience in Science
		Excellent Attendance
		Effort in DT
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		Contribution to the KS3 Football Team
		Won Bronze in the KS3 Shot Put
		House Point Total = 503
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
James Dean	Science	Consistent approach to learning in Food Technology
	Reading	Excellent Attendance
	DT	Progress in Maths
		Moving to the next flightpath in DT
		House Point Total = 638
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Alex Hennessy		Progress in Food Technology
		Excellent Attendance
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		Won Bronze in the KS3 400m
		House Point Total = 625
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Kieran Kirk	PSHE	Progress in Food Technology
		Most improved in Art
		Contribution in Communication lessons
		Effort in Humanities
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		Contribution to the KS3 Football Team
		House Point Total = 555
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Alexander Neale	Food Technology	Progress in Maths
	Communication	Effort in PE
	Art	Effort in Humanities
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		House Point Total = 572
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Jamie Rogers	Maths	Contribution to the KS3 Football Team

	PE	Moving to the next flightpath in English
		House Point Total = 435
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
George Whatling		Effort in Food Technology
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		House Point Total = 539

10J - Mrs Jensen		
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Tomas Bodkin	Life Skills	Resilience in Science
		Effort in PSHE
		Resilience and progress in Food Technology
		Progress in PE
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		House Point Total = 624
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Byron Boniface	Reading	Commitment to homework in PE
		Progress in Science
		House Point Total = 582
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Cam'ron Pindi	DIY	Effort in Food Technology
		Progress in Maths
		Excellent Attendance
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		Organisation in Life Skills
		House Point Total = 565
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Thando Po-Ba	Science	Consistent approach to learning in Food Technology
	Maths	Excellent Attendance
	PE	Moving to the next flightpath in Maths
	DT	Moving to the next flightpath in English
		Won Gold in the KS4 100m and 400m
		House Point Total = 683
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE

Elvinas Sermuksnis	PSHE	Achievement in PE
	Food Technology	Excellent Attendance
		Effort in Creative Media
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		Won Bronze in the KS4 200m and High Jump
		House Point Total = 632
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Joshua Tucker	English	Certificate for Reading
		House Point Total = 652
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Reece Williams		Resilience and progress in Food Technology
		Certificate for Reading
		Commitment to homework in PE
		House Point Total = 465

10P - Mrs Palmer		
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Joshua Barnes	ASDAN	Progress in PE
	Reading	Progress in DT
	English	Effort in Science
		Effort in PSHE
		House Point Total = 808
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Edward Bridges-Pugh	100% Attendance	Effort in DIY
		House Point Total = 585
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Daniel Diaz-Lester	Life Skills	Commitment to homework in PE
	Maths	Excellent Attendance
	Art	Consistent effort and resilience in English
		House Point Total = 656
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
George Smith	English	Enthusiasm in Life Skills
	Food Technology	Progress in Maths
	Science	Effort in PSHE

		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		House Point Total = 635
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Liam Tushingham	PE	Effort in English
	Creative Media	Consistent approach to learning in Food Technology
		Moving to the next flightpath in English
		Excellent Attendance
		House Point Total = 722
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Nathan Waters		Progress in ASDAN
		Certificate for Reading
		Excellent Attendance
		Most improved in Art
		House Point Total = 599
	PRIZE	CERTIFICATE
Reece Wood	PSHE	Working and encouraging peers in Maths
		Supporting his peers' learning in English
		Won Gold in the SSSSA Athletics 200m and High Jump
		House Point Total = 544

Inter-house maths tournament and the participants for each house

<u>Team Whyteleafe:</u> Callum Annis Max Gibbins James Millar Reece Wood	<u>Team Burntwood:</u> Lucas Abrams Alexander Neale Joshua Tucker Harvey Caruana
<u>Team Buxton:</u> Thando Poba Lithar Po-Ba Luke Marsh Liam Tushingham	<u>Team Portley</u> Tomas Bodkin Finley Marley Alfie Monk Harry Franklin

Year 10 Enterprise afternoon



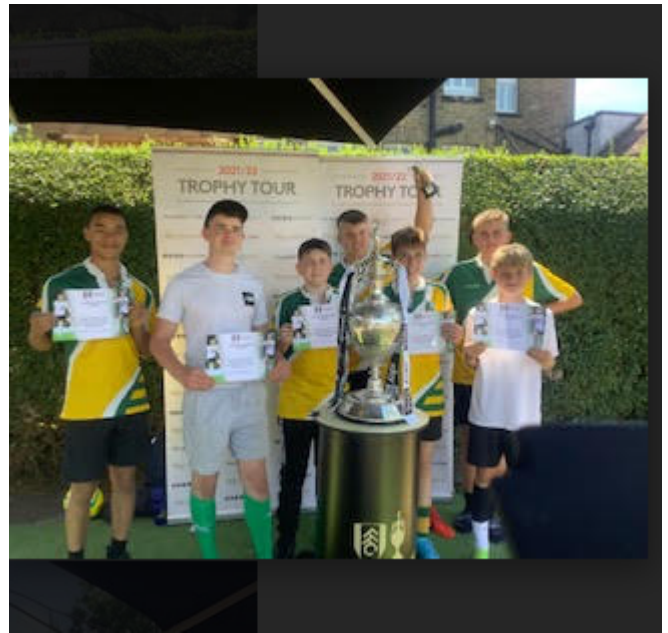
A huge congratulations to the Year 10 students who coordinated an enterprise afternoon. I personally heard students from other year levels describe it as the best event they had been part of, and another say that the Year 10 students had arranged an excellent afternoon. I am confident that the students and staff who organised the event will write more in the coming days, but for now, a huge congratulations and thank you to all involved.

Final Key Stage 3 Football Tournament

On a hot summer's day, students from Years 7-9 took part in the final Key Stage 3 football tournament of the year. The 'premier league team,' mostly consisting of Year 9 boys went into the day eight points clear at the top of the league with a very good chance of winning both the league and the fair play award. However injuries and absences meant it was a tough day for the Sunnydown Invincibles. A 1-1 draw with Nightingale was followed by a 1-0 loss to Carew Academy and as the injuries started to mount up, two more 3-0 losses looked to have cost them the title on the very last day. So everyone was surprised when, during the presentation, our boys did end up as champions. The other teams had taken points off each other and the one point for the draw may well have been decisive. The championship team, mostly comprised of Year 8s and managed by Mrs Hull, won the fair play award. There were no trophies for the Year 7 teams, managed by Miss and Mr Thompson (no relation). They did show great determination and after some early losses, came away with a creditable draw against one of the strongest teams in their league.

All three teams then received certificates and had the opportunity to have their picture taken with the Championship trophy which Fulham had won the previous season. For some that was the highlight of the day and a fitting end to the season. Here's to more sporting success next season, and more importantly, more awards for fair play and positive behaviour.





Gabe

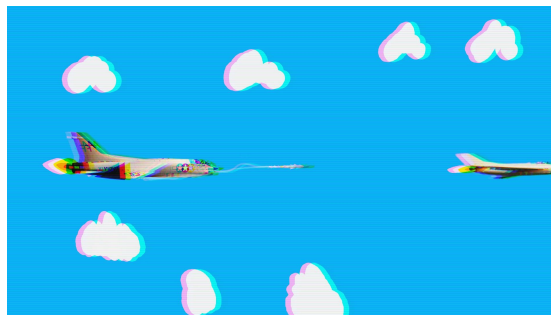
Year 8 Art

Hamish in Year 8 has created the image below. Mr Jensen was very impressed and asked Hamish to explain how he had created the image and the software used. Well done Hamish!

I used aggie.io to draw <https://aggie.io>

On aggie.io I used the fill/bucket tool to create the background then I used the brush tool with white to create the clouds, then I created 3 new layers each for the three main subjects of the drawing.

Then I copy and pasted fighter jet images and used <https://www.remove.bg> to remove the backgrounds of the copy and pasted images and I drew the afterburner effects myself and finally after that I used <https://pixlr.com/e/#editor> to add the scan lines and rgb split.



Attendance

Congratulations to 10P for achieving 100% attendance for the week ending 8th July 2022.

Snapchat

Please see the flier attached regarding how to keep your child safe on Snapchat.

Mr Cassim

Friends of Sunnydown

Staff Fund: A reminder that the closing date for the staff fund is next Tuesday 19th July. If you would also like to contribute towards a gift of vouchers, please follow this link:

www.pta-events.co.uk/sunnydownevents

Big PTA Raffle: The first draw date for the big PTA raffle is fast approaching! For each ticket bought, you will get one entry into each of the 12 draws. These are taking place from 19th - 21st July, and you'll have a chance of winning up to £5,000! Each ticket is £3 and this year there is no limit per person. Sunnydown school will receive 50% of each ticket sold, so the more tickets we buy, the more our boys will benefit:

www.bigptaraffle.co.uk/support/sunnydown-school-cr3

Pre-loved uniform: A selection of pre-loved uniform will be available at Sports Day next Thursday 21st July. A perfect time to pick up some spares in the next size up ahead of the September rush! Don't forget, you can also order online:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/sunnydownevents/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=34349&isProductGroup=true#.YtEqonbMK3A>

50/50 club: Congratulations to:

Our winners for July:

1st prize - £80.00 - Wayne Baker (243)

2nd prize - £40.00 - Sharon Tushingham (86)

Our winners for June:

1st prize - £80.00 - Vicky Punjabi

2nd prize - £40.00 - Josephine Eliatamby

Our winners for May:

1st prize - £80.00 - Sarah Gordon

2nd prize - £40.00 - Eleanor Pinsent

<u>Thought for this week</u> (W/C: 11th July) Charity and fundraising - Why is it important to help those less fortunate?	<u>Thought for the week</u> (W/C: 18th July) Reflection on the year
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<u>Scientist of the Week</u>	<u>Mathematician of the Week</u>	<u>Chef of the Week</u>	<u>Musician of the Week</u>
The recipient of Scientist of the Week, awarded by Mr Cybuch for cooperation and resilience is:	The recipient of Mathematician of the Week awarded by Mr Zadok is:	The recipient of Chef of the Week, awarded by Mrs Hull for cooperation and independence is:	The recipient of Musician of the Week is:
Teddy Foster (8D)	Daniel Diaz-Lester (10P)	A J Harper (8T)	Jamie Rogers (9M)

House Points	
Charlie Carter	200 House Points
Harry Franklin	250 House Points
Callum Annis	300 House Points
Ollie McEvaddy	450 House Points
Nathan Waters	600 House Points

WEATHER ADVICE PARENT MAIL

Dear all,

The Met office has issued a Red Weather warning for Monday and Tuesday next week. This warning is repeated below for reference.

We all must exercise extreme caution for this period. The warning says that '*substantial changes in working practices and daily routines will be required*'.

Based on this warning the position of Sunnydown School is outlined here.

Sunnydown will be open on Monday and Tuesday.

However, families will need to exercise extreme caution in making the decision to send their child to school. Families must consider their own risk assessment regarding length of travel and the possible impacts of extreme heat during the journey to and from school including the impact of any possible traffic issues and numbers of students in their respective taxis. Further, families should consider carefully the impact on the health of their child of the extreme heat, and whether they can manage the risk better at home.

Families who make a decision to not send their son to school based on their own Health & Safety Risk Assessment will be supported by the School. It is the family responsibility to communicate their decision with their taxi companies. Some taxi companies may make the decision to not offer a service to protect their workers. Absences in these circumstances are also understood.

Levels of supervision at School may be impacted by staff absences as well.

The decision to send your son to school or not will be collected via a separate Google Form for each day. Links to these will be shared on Sunday afternoon (for Monday) and Monday afternoon (for Tuesday).

Students who do not attend school based on a family decision are not required to log into any classes nor activities because of advice from DfE which states '*Keeping the use of electric light to a minimum and switching off electric equipment, such as computers, when not in use*'. For clarity, no online activities will be set for students who do not attend school.

Those who attend school will be supervised in air conditioned rooms for the duration of the day. Please be mindful that students will be travelling home at 3.30pm, the hottest part of the day. Consider the impact of this on your child's well being before sending them in.

For students onsite on Monday and Tuesday, they will remain completely within the air conditioned rooms for the duration. Some activities will be arranged but there is no physical activity outside. Lunch on these days will be a picnic/packed lunch arrangement but consumed in the air conditioned classrooms. Students can attend school in comfortable clothing. This does not have to be school uniform but closed shoes are required. Water will be available through the day.

Current advice allows us to recommend that the following will take place later in the week. This is subject to change should conditions also change or further advice issued.

- Attendance is currently expected from Wednesday to Friday for all students.
- Inter House competitions scheduled for Monday will move to Wednesday.
- Sports day on Thursday goes ahead as is.
- 12.30pm finish on Friday, with a packed lunch sent home with the children.

Thank you for understanding our very well considered position in this regard.

Please see some further guidance from the Government that may be of use to you:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/heatwave-plan-for-england/beat-the-heat-staying-safe-in-hot-weather>

I wish you a safe weekend.

Yours sincerely,



Paul Jensen

Red warning of extreme heat

Areas affected: East Midlands | East of England | London & South East England | North West England | South West England | West Midlands | Yorkshire & Humber

Starts: 00:00 BST on Mon 18 July Ends: 23:59 BST on Tue 19 July

An exceptional hot spell on Monday and Tuesday leading to widespread impacts on people and infrastructure.

- Population-wide adverse health effects experienced, not limited to those most vulnerable to extreme heat, leading to serious illness or danger to life. Government advice is that 999 services should be used in emergencies only; seek advice from 111 if you need non-emergency health advice.
- Substantial changes in working practices and daily routines will be required
- High risk of failure of heat-sensitive systems and equipment, potentially leading to localised loss of power and other essential services, such as water or mobile phone services
- Significantly more people visiting coastal areas, lakes and rivers, leading to an increased risk of water safety incidents
- Delays on roads and road closures, along with delays and cancellations to rail and air travel, with significant welfare issues for those who experience even moderate delays



Keep your child safe on Snapchat

Snapchat is an app for sending photos and videos (known as 'Snaps'), and text messages. The 'Stories' feature lets users share photos or videos with all their contacts at once.

Snaps disappear after being opened, usually within seconds. Stories disappear after 24 hours. Images and messages aren't automatically saved on phones.

The minimum age to use Snapchat is 13, but it's easy to sign up if you're younger.

What's the problem?

There's a risk of seeing sexual content, and of bullying.

Your child's location could be shared automatically with their contacts, which could put them in danger if they have strangers as 'friends' on the app. A new 'Meet Up' feature allows people to get directions to another user's location, if they're sharing their location.

There's a risk of children being 'groomed' by strangers into sharing pictures and information about themselves. Gangs also use apps to groom and recruit children.

4 steps to help your child use Snapchat safely

1. Tell your child to only use it with real friends

Anyone could pretend to be a child or teenager online, so encourage your child not to talk to people they don't know in real life. Encourage them not to share information such as what school they go to or where they live with people they don't know offline.

2. Use privacy settings

By default, only 'friends' your child has added on Snapchat can contact them directly and see their story or location, so encourage your child to keep those default settings.

To check and change the settings:

Tap the person icon in the top-left of Snapchat, then the cog in the top-right.

Scroll down to the 'Privacy Control' section and tap the relevant options (e.g. 'Contact Me' and 'View My Story').

Under 'See My Location', enable 'Ghost Map' to turn location sharing off.

Under 'See Me In Quick Add' you can stop your child's profile from being suggested to strangers as a potential 'friend'.

3. Talk to your child about image sharing and being careful about what they share

Even though images disappear in Snapchat, they can be screenshotted and then shared – outside of the original sender's control.

So, remind your child to think carefully about the images they share, and with whom. Before they share anything, tell them to ask: "Would I be happy for other people to see this?"

In particular, make sure your child knows the risks of taking, sharing or viewing naked or

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sexually explicit pictures of themselves or another child, either voluntarily or if asked to by someone else.

This is known as ‘sharing nudes and semi-nudes’ or ‘sexting’ and is illegal, even when the person doing it is a child. It can also be distressing for a child to have their image shared more widely, or to see an inappropriate image that someone else has shared.

4. Make sure your child knows how to use reporting and blocking functions

To report a Snap or Story, press and hold on it, tap ‘Report Snap’, then explain the problem

To remove or block a friend, swipe to the right to go to the ‘Chat’ screen, then tap and hold on the person’s name. Tap ‘Manage Friendship’, then choose ‘Remove Friend’ or ‘Block’

What can I do about online bullying?

Encourage your child to talk to you if someone says something upsetting or hurtful to them

Look for signs they may be being bullied, like being afraid or reluctant to go to school, feeling nervous, losing confidence or becoming distressed and withdrawn, or losing sleep

Tell our school about any bullying your child experiences

There are also a few ways you can save images and messages as evidence:

Use another device to, quickly, take a photo of the image or message (this is the only way you can save the image without other people knowing)

Tap on the message, quickly, to save it (other people will know, from the grey background)

Take a screenshot, quickly (the person who shared it will get a notification)

Change your ‘delete’ settings to save messages for 24 hours – swipe to the right to go to the ‘Chats’ screen, tap and hold a friend’s name, then ‘Chat Settings’ > ‘Delete Chats ...’ > ‘24-Hours after Viewing’

What can I do if I think my child is being targeted by a gang?

Share your concerns with our school immediately. You can also contact the NSPCC for advice – call 0800 800 5000 or email help@nspcc.org.uk.

Be alert to changes in your child – such as having new unexplained possessions, changing friendship groups, behaviour and mood changes, or unexplained injuries.

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