



23/06/26

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will be aware, the current heat wave is expected to continue over the next two days (Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th), and we understand that some of you may be concerned about how this may affect pupils in school. I want to reassure you that we are taking sensible and proactive measures to support everyone's wellbeing during this period.

Across the federation, staff are adapting timetables and classroom routines to respond to pupils' needs. This includes:

- Allowing flexible learning arrangements in classrooms to support comfort and wellbeing
- Increasing access to indoor, cooler spaces during lunchtime
- Reducing physical exertion in PE lessons or cancelling sessions where appropriate
- Providing regular hydration breaks and encouraging pupils to drink water throughout the day
- Keeping classrooms as cool as possible using ventilation and shade
- Closely monitoring the wellbeing of both pupils and staff

I am aware that some schools have chosen to close early due to the heat. However, for many families, home may not necessarily offer a cooler environment, and early closure can create significant childcare challenges. For these reasons, **The Meon Way Federation will remain open as usual at this time.**

That said, we want to offer flexibility to support families who feel an earlier pick-up would be in their child's best interests. If you choose to collect your child early, please collect at the following times:

Moorings Way Infant School – 1:00pm

Meon Infant School – 1:00pm

Meon Junior School – 1:15pm

If you have both infant and junior's pupils at Meon school, please come at 1:15pm.

If you would like to make use of this option, please let us know through Arbor, so that we are aware of numbers and can arrange collection safely. This absence will be authorised by the school. Please note your child will only be permitted to leave school early if they are collected by a parent or carer.



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Thank you for your continued support and understanding. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns.

Yours sincerely,

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includes Meon Infant School, Meon Junior School and Moorings Way Infant School