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Dear Parents and Carers,

Earlier this evening, we received communication from County that the Red Heat Health Alert that started yesterday has now been extended to 11pm on Friday. As parts of our school reached 37 and 38 degrees today, when pupils were on site, we have taken the decision to close at 1pm on Friday 26th June, as we did today and will be doing tomorrow. Again, this is in line with The Bewdley School and St. Anne's Primary School.

We really appreciate your understanding in this very difficult situation and are fully aware that the disruption this has caused to families. We have not taken this decision lightly.

With that in mind, we are currently looking at our plans for Saturday's Bewdley Carnival.

At the time of writing, as far as we are aware, the event is going ahead as planned. According to the forecasts, the temperature is due to be somewhere between 24 and 28 degrees at midday on Saturday.

We are still planning to enter the parade however I would like parents and carers to think very carefully about whether their child will be able to safely take part. We plan to have multiple bottles of water available and will be reducing the amount of dancing that we would usually perform along the parade route. However, the route is largely unshaded and children may therefore be in direct sunshine for over two hours. Although the float for Reception has a roof, the sides are open and, again, the children may be in direct sunshine for a prolonged period of time.

Parents do not need to make this decision until Saturday but please don't feel that your child *has* to take part because you have previously said they would. Nobody wants 200 unwell Minions on the streets of Bewdley.

If this situation changes, we will update you as soon as possible.

Thank you, again, for your continued support and understanding.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amanda Bradley', written in a cursive style.

Amanda Bradley
Headteacher
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