Severe weather procedures

During severe weather conditions, such as heavy snow, we make every effort to keep the school open for as many children as possible. However, in some circumstances, following the completion of a risk assessment, we may decide that it is necessary to temporarily close the school partially or fully. Reasons <u>may</u> include:

- Risk of injury to pupils, staff or visitors due to the weather conditions
- Too few staff members can reach the school, and/or advice is issued against travelling
- A failure of the school's heating systems

In such circumstances we will always attempt to give parents and carers advance notice, but due to the unpredictable nature of some weather events this may not always be possible. Any notification of closure will be shared on the school website and via BromCom as soon as possible.

We would try to make a decision on Full Closure by 7.30am wherever possible. However, closure could be decided later if understaffing becomes an issue, or the weather worsens. During the day, we would update our website and send a message via BromCom if the situation changes.

Should we close, learning will be provided through TEAMS (Y1 - 6) and Tapestry (EYFS), which children already have logins for. A support sheet would be resent to support parents with this upon closure.

Please can I remind you to send children into school with appropriate clothing for indoor and outdoor activities, during cold spells when school is open to children.

Kínd regards

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