



Dear Parent/Carers

24 November 2010

With winter fast approaching, I would like to remind you about how we deal with any severe weather, especially snow, which may affect the school.

Each day of any severe weather, as headteacher I will make an assessment about whether it is safe and practical to open the school to pupils. This decision will be made early in the morning, in enough time to inform you if we are to close.

You will be informed by text message and we will put a bulletin on the School Website if the school is to close to your child/children.

If you do not hear anything from us, the school will be open. Should you wish to check other reports of closure, you can do so by visiting the council website www.kirklees.gov.uk/schoolclosures where you will find up-to-date information.

Closure information will also be shared with the local radio and TV stations for them to use as they wish in their bulletins. You can also check on weather and gritting updates at www.kirklees.gov.uk/winter.

Please be assured that I only decide to close our school in exceptional circumstances where the safety of your child/ children is the primary concern. On occasions this may be due to the availability of teaching staff who travel some distance to reach school, rather than purely conditions for pupils getting to school.

In the event of extreme weather which starts during the day, parents may collect their child/children from our school reception area. If you wish to give permission on such an occasion for your child/children to make their own way home, please could you sign and return the slip at the bottom of this letter. Unless you give this specific permission, the school will continue to look after them until they are picked up.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you would like to receive information and school updates via our text messaging service and we do not have your mobile phone number, please contact Mr Cheshire, the School Attendance Officer so that your number can be added to our records.

Yours sincerely

Janet Pruchniewicz
Headteacher

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In the event of extreme weather occurring during the school day I give permission for my son/daughter

.....(child's name)(Form)

To make his/her own way home from school.

Signed.....(parent)

Please return this slip to school by Friday 26th November 2010