

Sunday 10th December 2017

Adverse Weather Closure - Monday 11th December

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am very sorry to have to tell you that the school will have to be closed to all pupils for Monday 11th December.

It is clear from the weather forecasts that the snow will not stop until around 7am on Monday morning, and the temperatures will be at or below freezing, creating significant dangers of ice and meaning that only those living close enough to the school to walk will be able to get to work.

In the past we have had a higher proportion of staff living within walking distance, but having assessed the situation afresh for this year I cannot expect enough staff to make it into work to be able to say that we can safely accept children into school tomorrow.

As many of you will know, if the snow gets compacted with vehicles and pedestrians then the driveway into school, as well as the car park and pathways, will become very icy and could take several days to clear. Those of us who can walk to work will do as much clearance as we can tomorrow, so please do not attempt to drive into the site as it will make things much worse for us and will slow down our efforts to be ready to open the school for Tuesday.

I am notifying the Local Authority and the Integrated Transport Unit that we will be closed to all pupils and students tomorrow, and that we expect to be open again as normal on Tuesday 12th December (in time for our Christmas film premiere and the live performance!). We shall send out any relevant updates via the text messaging system.

Once again, my apologies about this inconvenience, and we will work through the day tomorrow to get the site ready to open on Tuesday.

Kind regards,

Sean O'Sullivan
Headteacher