



Adverse Weather / School Closure

In the event of adverse weather or school closure, we have a system in place called Textlocal which allows us to send a short text to all parent's mobile phones for which we have a number. The text will be used for smaller groups i.e. specific bus route users to advise that the service has been cancelled or is running late. While this is an excellent service it does rely on us having up to date mobile phone numbers and for you to be in an area where you get mobile coverage. We would ask that you don't rely solely on this system to get your information. We will also send an email with any information to pass on to parents.

The school will operate normally whenever possible and only resort to closure in exceptional circumstances when conditions are such that the health and safety of pupils, parents and staff are at risk. A decision to close the school in the case of severe weather will be made following consideration of reports and warnings from the appropriate authorities and any decision will not be taken lightly. Any decision to close will be made, where possible, before 7am.

On occasions it may be necessary for school to close during the school day, i.e. if the weather is deteriorating and there is doubt as to whether children can be returned home later in the day (within the Nursery, as per SCSWIS (Care Inspectorate) regulations, consideration will have to be given to staff ratios). **With this in mind please ensure we have up to date emergency contact information at all times.**

We hope this helps towards an easy, safe system and would welcome your ideas and suggestions should you think we could improve on this further.