



CLOSURE OF SCHOOL DUE TO BAD WEATHER

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we approach the time of the year when bad weather may force us to close the school I wanted to remind you of the arrangements we make.

We will try to keep the school open and have been successful in doing so in the past couple of years. If we have to close for bad weather we will try to make the decision as soon as we can. This will either be the night before or early in the morning. We will take into account local weather conditions as well as the likelihood of enough staff getting to school to teach the children.

CLOSURE BEFORE THE SCHOOL DAY

How we will let you know:

- Via our **Facebook Group page** as well as **School Text messaging service** (if you haven't signed up for these please consider doing so as soon as you can). For information on how to download and access the School Gateway app please visit www.schoolgateway.com.
- Additionally **local radio** (BBC Radio Stoke and Signal) also broadcast details of which schools are closed.

Please ignore all other communications as these are the only official methods we will use.

Please try to avoid phoning school as the bad weather will probably result in few staff in school trying to care for those children who have arrived.

CLOSURE DURING THE ACADEMY DAY

Parents/Carers who are concerned about local conditions are welcome to collect their children from Academy.

If the decision is made to close the school during the day we will put a message on Facebook/school text messaging service asking parents to come and collect children early. We will also contact the local radio stations. For safety reasons we unable to send Year 5 and 6 pupils home (who would normally walk home on their own) until we have made sure that someone is available to meet them.

Children will remain in the Academy until they are collected.

Please make sure your contact details are up to date

Thank you,

**R WOOLLACOTT
PRINCIPAL**