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Dear Parents/carers,

With an amber weather warning in place for tonight into tomorrow I would like to remind you of the procedures we follow should it be necessary for a school closure.



This is never an easy decision to make and we appreciate the inconvenience it can cause so we always aim to inform you as early as possible. Our priority is always the safety of our pupils, staff and families and this is the basis on which we assess situations and make our decisions.

When severe weather occurs we will consider:

- The safety and accessibility of the school site and immediate surrounding area
- Travel conditions for pupils and staff
- Whether essential services such as electricity, heating and water are working effectively



- Guidance from the local authority
- Discussions with local cluster schools to ensure a consistent approach

If we need to close the school or adjust the opening time we will notify you as early as possible through the usual communication channels – text message, jotter app and notice on our website.

We understand that school closures can be disruptive and inconvenient for families, and we only make the decision to close when it is absolutely necessary, so your understanding and cooperation during these times is greatly appreciated.



Many thanks for your continued support

P Doleman

Mrs P Doleman

Headteacher

