6th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

As winter weather has arrived this morning it has prompted me to remind you all that any school closures will be announced in the following ways-on our school website, on our Facebook page and on Silk FM radio. The frequency is 106.9. In the event of very bad snowfalls I and the Chair of Governors will make the decision to close the school and let you know if the school is closed as early as possible. The decision to close the school is one that is not taken easily. It will be made after considering road conditions, the accessibility of school to pupils, staff and vehicles, weather forecasts and the likelihood of further snowfalls during the day which may impact on our ability to get pupils home safely. In any decision made the safety of all pupils, staff and parents is our main priority.

As the weather can change quite suddenly it may be necessary to get some or all of the children home earlier than usual. Please ensure we have up-to-date contact numbers for you so that we can discuss any changes to the school day with you. If you have changed your contact numbers recently please let us know.

If the school is closing early a member of the school staff will ring you to ensure an appropriate adult will be at home to receive your child. In the past we have had transport operators/drivers take it upon themselves to contact parents without the knowledge of school. Please know that part of our safeguarding duties is to ensure there will be someone at home before the pupils leave the school. Therefore no child will be leaving until school staff have spoken to the parents or carers.

I am hoping that by ensuring we are prepared for bad weather, we will not need to put any of the plans into place!

Kind regards,

Lorraine Warmer

Head Teacher