



Monday, 20 November 2017

Dear Parents

### **Adverse Weather procedures - Emergency Closure of the School**

As winter is now with us I thought I would remind you of our policy on school closure due to adverse weather conditions and other emergencies.

Although we endeavour to stay open during adverse weather my prime concern is for the safety of both staff and pupils. In the event of bad weather you can keep up with the current situation on school closures in the following way.

- 1) The school will inform the local authority who will put the closure on the Northamptonshire County Council website.

[www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/ismyschoolclosed](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/ismyschoolclosed)

- 2) We will send an email to parents via Parentmail.
- 3) Local radio will also regularly broadcast lists of schools closed:

BBC Radio Northampton - 104.2 & 103.6 FM

Heart Radio in Northamptonshire (formerly Northants 96) - 96.6 FM

Connect 97.2 & 107.4 FM

Corby Radio - 96.3 FM

- 4) The school will place a message on the home page of the school website.

[www.warmingtonschool.net](http://www.warmingtonschool.net)

Please try to use these methods before phoning the school. I hope you appreciate that we would like to try to keep our phone lines open for emergencies and for us to phone out to the local authority etc.

In the event of school having to close during the school day the school will contact parents via Parentmail or phone to inform parents of that decision. Children will only be released to go to another child's home with prior consent from the parents.

In the event of an unexpected emergency closure such as burst pipe or heating failure then we will contact parents by Parentmail/phone as well as placing a message on the county website.

### **Play times during adverse weather**

Our school policy for play during adverse weather is one that children should learn to play sensibly and safely in the snow and ice. Therefore children will be expected to go outside for playtimes unless the conditions are totally unsuitable or dangerous.

In these conditions please make sure that your children come to school with appropriate outdoor clothing, including hats and gloves and substantial footwear.

It is sometimes not possible to clear snow or grit on all the pathways so please make sure that you walk carefully when in the school grounds.

Yours sincerely,

Mr E Carlyle  
Executive Headteacher