



22nd November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Emergency School Closure Procedures

Given that we are now coming up to the winter weather season, we want to take the opportunity to remind everyone of our school closure procedures in case the school is severely affected by bad weather over the coming months. We also want to ask you to take the opportunity to discuss these procedures with your child over the next few days. If you do NOT wish your child to make their own way home in the event of an emergency closure, please contact the academy to let their Head of Year know, no later than 3pm on Friday the 26th of November 2021.

In the event of heavy overnight snowfall, or seriously icy conditions, we may be unable to safely open the school in the morning, and the Principal will decide whether or not to close school for the day by 7am, wherever possible. This decision will be posted on the school and Bradford Schools Online websites and announced on local radio stations that morning. To support this procedure, a text message and email will be sent to parent/carers and staff as soon as the decision has been made, along with updates being posted on the school's twitter feed: @OasisListerPark. Please check these methods for updates throughout any closure period and be aware that it may not be possible for us to monitor the school main telephone line.

The decision to close for snow is never taken lightly and involves several health and safety considerations to assess the risk. These include whether students and staff can get to school safely, the safety of the site, and staff supervision levels. We will always remain open if it is deemed safe to do so, as the welfare of our students and staff is of paramount importance.

OTHER EMERGENCY CLOSURES (including for snow) DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

In the exceptional case that the school has to be closed in an emergency and at short notice, parents / carers will receive a text message informing them of the closure. Students will also be informed and given the opportunity to contact parents before leaving school.

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To ensure that students are able to leave school in the event of an emergency closure, please can you make sure that your son/daughter knows how to get home using public transport, if necessary, and that he/she is able to access your house, or that of a relative or friend, in the event of an emergency.

N.B. Unless we are informed otherwise, we will assume that you give permission for your child to make their own way home, or to your alternative safe address, in the event of an emergency closure, and that you have discussed this with them, as per the above paragraph.

If you do NOT wish your child to leave school on their own in the event of an emergency closure, please immediately contact the academy (by Friday 26th November) or telephone school on 01274 362050 to let us know, so that we can place a note on their file.

No student will be left unsupervised in school, and where they can't get home safely, they will always be supervised in school.

Please make sure that your child is aware of these arrangements.

Finally, can I please take this opportunity to remind you to ensure that you have notified school if your contact details have recently changed.

Yours sincerely.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Siân Dover'.

Mrs Siân Dover

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