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## **Dear Parents**

We are pleased to update families in relation to our bad weather contingency plans. Please do ensure children have appropriate warm coats and as needed hats and gloves throughout the winter months. When it safe to do so break and lunchtimes will be outside and therefore it is important children have a suitable coat in school every day. Please ensure this is clearly labelled with their name.

As always, we will do all we can to ensure school is fully open during term time however this must never come at the expense of the safety of children, families and staff.

If there is significant bad weather we may have to employ one or more of the typical contingencies such as;

- Alternatives routes to enter school (see our website <u>School Closure Information</u> page and information below).
- Delayed later opening. In the case of opening late Fun Club will not open in the morning.
- Early closing.
- Partial closure.
- Full closure.

We will always aim to make timely decisions and give as much notice to families as possible while also refrain from making decisions too far in advance of knowing exactly if the forecasted weather actually materialises. As I am sure you can appreciate this is a delicate balance and we are grateful for your patience and understanding in these situations.

If we have to utilise any of these contingencies will keep families informed via text message, email and the <u>News Section</u> of our Website. If you are able we encourage you to check before you travel and ensure children are appropriately dressed for the weather.

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## Snow and Ice Access to School Site/Building Contingency

It may not always be possible to clear and grit the full one-way system of paths around the whole school throughout the winter. If this is the case we may apply the following contingency plan.

Paths to the main front door and the double doors at the front of school will be cleared and gritted. A path across the front the playground to the gate leading to the car park exit will also be cleared and gritted.

Children in Year 5&6 will enter school through the main front door. All other year groups would access through the double doors leading into the hall. Parents can then exit via the gate into the car park. Staff will be in classrooms to greet children and there will also be staff on hand in the hall and corridors to help guide and supervise children to their classrooms.



Year 5&6 to enter via these doors



All other classes enter via these doors



A path across the front playground will be cleared and gritted



Adults can exit through these gates after drop off.

Thank you for your support and co-operation as we work together to keep everyone safe.

Best wishes

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