

Appendix A – information for parents and carers

If school has to close because of bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances,

- Mr Goodland at the infant school and I will make the decision as early in the morning as possible to give you as much notice as we can.
- We will use the text messaging and parentmail email service, so please keep your phone on and check your emails if bad weather is forecast.
- We notify Gloucestershire County Council and they enter the closure on the closed schools' website: www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closedschools or www.glosclosedschools.com
- The closure is also announced on local radio: Heart 102.4FM or Radio Gloucestershire 104.7FM and will be on our school website.
- For prolonged snow, please check the website daily as we have to make the decision each morning.
- VIPs breakfast and afterschool club will obviously not be available when school is closed.
- We will only close school if it is absolutely necessary because we cannot guarantee your child's safety, as a result of the site being dangerous; essential services being cut(no heating, electricity or water); not enough staff being able to get into school; or emergency services not being able to access the site.
- If it has snowed and we are open, please remind your child to stick to the footpaths as we will have cleared a route into school and gritted it.
- If it has snowed, please ensure that your child wears a thick coat, hat, gloves and suitable footwear and bring a change of shoes, as we will endeavour to go out and enjoy the snow at some point during the day.