



Saint Joseph's

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Wednesday 28th March 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

As you will be aware the current forecast for Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd March is showing the potential for a significant amount of snowfall.

School closure is of course something that we try to avoid but if we do have heavy snowfall then a decision will be made about this before 7.00 a.m. on the morning of any severe weather in order to give you as much advance notice as possible. The school will only close if we are unable to safeguard our pupils effectively. This could be because we have concerns about the safety of the school site or because we cannot meet the correct staff to student ratio.

Should the decision be made to close the school this information will be;

- posted on our school website
- posted and broadcast on Spire FM.

If the weather looks uncertain, please check these sites stated above. **If no information is posted please note that the school will be open as usual.**

Closure during the School Day

If the weather deteriorates during the school day and we have serious health and safety concerns about either our pupil's journeys home or our ability to supervise children with adequate staff levels, parents will be contacted to give permission for their child to leave the school site. It is essential that during periods of severe weather we are able to make contact with parents and carers immediately. **Parents and carers are requested to keep their mobiles to hand if severe weather is expected.** No child will be sent home without permission from their parent or carer.

Thank you for your understanding during this spell of adverse weather.

Mr McHale
Deputy Headteacher