

Witchampton CofE First School School Closure Procedure

Dear Parents,

In cases of extreme weather or other emergencies the school may need to be closed at short notice. As there is a severe weather warning from the Met Office for later this week, we felt that this would be a good time to remind us all what the school procedure for closing the school is.

Please rest assured that would only happen in cases of extreme weather if;

- a sufficient number of teaching staff could not get into school and therefore we would be unable to supervise the children safely.
- the site was inaccessible or dangerous with snow and/or ice and we would not be able to guarantee the safety of the children or staff.

In either of these instances the school would need to close.

Parents can find out information about whether or not the school is closed from the list below. All parents should be able to access this information by 8.00am; however, if there is no news by 8.15am they should assume that the school is open.

- Local radio stations, e.g. Heart FM and Radio Solent
- The school website <u>www.witchampton.dorset.sch.uk</u>
- Through Parentmail
- <u>http://mapping.dorsetforyou.com/closedservices</u>

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Hancock Head of School