



Onslow Infant School

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Dear Parents

We have been very fortunate so far that the weather has been mild and there has been no risk of snow. However, it is quite likely that we will experience some cold and possibly snowy conditions before the end of this term. We would therefore like to take the opportunity to inform/remind you of how we advise parents about the possible closure of the school due to snow or other similar emergency closures.

Every attempt is always made to keep the school open, however if circumstances dictate that it is unsafe to do so the school will be closed. This may be due to a lack of supervising staff being unable to get to the school or that the site and access to the site is dangerous. The school has enough grit and salt to keep access around the school grounds clear, but please note that we do not have enough salt or the permission to grit Powell Close and the public footpaths approaching the school and we have to rely on the council to do this.

If we experience snow or icy conditions it is strongly recommended that you do not attempt to drive into Powell Close by car.

If the decision is made to close the school for any reason, the school website (website address as above) will be updated to advise you of this. As far as possible this decision will be made by 8.00am.

Do, however, continue to check the website when we are experiencing inclement weather as conditions can deteriorate very quickly and could force us to close the school later than this time.

Other ways to find out if the school is closed are as follows: check the Surrey County Council website (www.surreycc.gov.uk) where there is information on school closures; Eagle Radio will also provide a school closure service (announcement on the radio); the school will use parentmail to send you an email (and/or possibly a text message). Please therefore check these areas first if you are unsure whether the school may be open or not.

Yours sincerely

Katherine Donlon
Head Teacher

