



St John's C of E Primary School

Hertford Road, Digswell, Welwyn, Herts AL6 0BX

Tel: 01438 714283 Fax 01438 712991

E-mail: admin@digswell.herts.sch.uk

www.digswell.herts.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mr R. A. Price, B.Ed.(Hons)

15th December 2016

Dear Parents

Serious Weather Conditions / School Closure

Occasionally it is necessary to close the school because of serious weather conditions e.g. heavy snowfall, ice etc or problems associated with this such as heating breakdowns.

- Recommendations to close Hertfordshire schools during the day or overnight are taken at County Council level after the police make recommendations about the safety of travelling on Hertfordshire roads.
- A recommendation might be made to close early because of hazardous conditions or not to open the next day.
- The final decision to close a school rests with the Headteacher and depends on local conditions as well as the availability of school staff.
- It may be possible to get your child to school but, if staff cannot travel safely, it may still be necessary to close (some staff live at a distance from the school) and catering supplies may not be available.

Where possible the decision to close the school will be made by 7.30 am and you will be informed through the SchoolComms System (email/text/app). Please ensure that your primary email address and mobile telephone number are up to date on our system as if not you will not receive a notification.

You can also listen to nominated local radio stations i.e. BBC three counties Radio (103.8 FM/95.5 FM or 630 MW/1161 MW) and 106 Bob FM (106.9 FM). If possible notices informing you of the closure will be pinned to the school gates.

Please do not telephone the school unless absolutely necessary. This will prevent the phone lines from becoming blocked and allow us to make the calls to the radio stations or the emergency services.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Price
Headteacher

