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Dear Parent / Carer

**SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS & THE CLOSURE OF SCHOOL  
FOR FUTURE REFERENCE**

As we approach that time of year again, I thought I would take the opportunity to update you on the following.

Please keep this information to hand. There is a link to this information on the Academy website. Go to the 'Parent' menu, select 'School Information' and then 'Closure of School in Bad Weather'.

1. Look at the school's website - [www.landkey-primary.devon.sch.uk](http://www.landkey-primary.devon.sch.uk) and Facebook page - [www.facebook.com/landkeyprimaryschool/](https://www.facebook.com/landkeyprimaryschool/) If school is closed there will be a message on the front page of the website and we will post on the Facebook page.
2. If you are unsure, telephone school on 01271 830421. We will always have staff, if at all possible, to answer telephones.
3. Closure notices will be posted at the school gate for those living close by.

We will not contact local radio, preferring to use the school's website and Facebook page where accuracy of information to parents can be guaranteed.

A few of our staff live within walking distance of the school, so we will always try, wherever possible, to remain open. I strongly believe that snowfalls do not mean that a school should automatically close. A school has a duty to open if it has the means to do so however, should the school site and level of staffing be assessed as unsafe for the children, we will ultimately need to make the decision to close. Individual families should also assess the risk posed by their journey to school and make their own decision. Many families who live close to the school will have a different level of risk to those who have much more complex travel arrangements - the same will also be applicable to staff members.

Much as we love and enjoy snow, let's hope that we have a trouble free winter.

Kind regards and best wishes

Kate Fairbrother  
Headteacher

