

Puddletown Church of England First School

‘Inspiring learners to be the best they can be’

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Dear Parent/Carer

We are closely monitoring the forecast weather conditions for the next few days and therefore thought that this may be a good opportunity to inform any new parents and remind everyone of our procedure for poor weather.

Clearly we will always endeavor to stay open to ensure that your child's education is not disrupted. However, if it becomes necessary to close the school then the procedure will be as follows.

You will be contacted via our text messaging service advising you that the school is either closed at the start of the day or is closing during the day due to worsening conditions. If the school is forced to close during the day and you are delayed in collecting your child please contact the office as soon as possible and be assured that a member of staff will always stay with the children.

In the event of a school closure before the start of the school day we will display a message on the homepage of our school website and contact you via our text messaging service. Dorset County Council Website will also be updated to advise of closure <https://www.dorsetforyou.com/closedservices>. The following radio stations will broadcast a list of school closures:-

Heart FM (828AM/102.3 FM)

Wessex FM (97.2FM)

If we are unable to contact you by text because your area does not have secure coverage or you do not have access to a mobile or the internet, please use the attached form with details of the best way to contact you.

However, our preference will always be to remain open to continue with lessons **and** play in the snow! Therefore if we do have snow or it looks likely please ensure that your child comes to school equipped to play in the snow; wellies, gloves etc as we will aim to build snowmen and make snow angels during the day.

If you have any questions on this please do get in contact with me.

Yours sincerely,

D Hunwick

I am unable to access the internet or receive text messages in the event of school closure. Please contact me via _____

Signed _____

Child's name _____ class _____



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