



Derby
Grammar
School

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School Closure Due to Bad Weather Policy

Academic Year: 2018-19

During the School day

There may be occasions when weather conditions worsen to the point where we feel that, for health and safety reasons, the School should close. A decision to close the School will generally be made to ensure that pupils can return home safely.

If a decision is made to close the School, pupils in Years 7 to the Upper Sixth will be asked to contact their parents using their mobile telephones. Parents of children in the Junior School will be contacted by staff.

It is essential that the pupils in the School have a daytime contact number for their parents. A message will also be put on the School website, via social media and e-shot to parents and staff.

If at all possible, it would be helpful if your son or daughter is aware of what arrangements are likely to be put in place in the event of the School closing owing to bad weather. We would need as many parents as possible to collect their children personally since public transport and the School coach service may be disrupted.

Information about School bus passengers

The School will contact the bus companies, prior to any decision about the closure of the School, to make arrangements for buses to come and collect pupils who would normally use them. It is advisable for parents to have alternative arrangements in case the buses cannot run due to bad weather.

Overnight

If conditions develop overnight that mean that School cannot be opened in a morning, a decision will be taken before 7.30am.

Once the decision has been made not to open the school, all parents will be emailed, a message will be put on the website at www.derbygrammar.org/news and information will be posted on the School's Facebook and Twitter channels. Radio Derby will also be notified.