



St Mary's Church of England (VC) Junior School

Where we learn, respect each other, build friendships and trust in God.

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Wednesday 28th February

Dear Parent/Carer,

Over the next couple of days, the indication is that we may have heavy snow. In preparation for this, I would like to remind you of the notification systems we have in place to alert you to any school closure:

1. Notification will be on our school website's front page by 7am on the day of closure.
2. A Parentmail will be sent out to all parents using this system
3. A message will appear on Class Dojo
4. If you have subscribed to the Everbridge Schools notification system, you will receive a message to the phone numbers you have listed to say if the school is open or not.

When the school reopens, this information will be provided by the same means of communication.

Closing the school is never taken lightly and any decisions are based on the wellbeing of children and staff. Many of the school staff live away from Baldock and, if roads are hazardous, I have a duty of care to ensure that they are not exposed to any undue risks.

Indications are that Friday is likely to be the day that will be problematic and these could be the likely scenarios:

1. The school may open later to allow children and staff to get to school safely – a possible **10.30am start** to the school day.
 2. Heavy snow during the late morning will see the school closed early to ensure children can get home – **12.30pm**
- or
3. The school is closed all day.

Any decisions will be made as soon as possible to enable you to plan for any changes to the school day.

Kind regards,

Samantha Britton
Headteacher