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## ST MARGARET CLITHEROW CATHOLIC PRIMARY & NURSERY VOLUNTARY ACADEMY © 0115 9150296

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Dear Parents/Carers

## URGENT INFORMATION - WEATHER CONDITIONS

I thought it would be a good idea to set out our policy with regards to the forecast for snowy/icy conditions.

Obviously, it is hard for us to know in advance whether or not we will be able to open the school - this decision takes into account a number of factors, including whether teachers are able to make it in to work or not as some live far away.

If we do take the decision to close the school, because it is unsafe for pupils, parents and staff, then we will communicate this as soon as possible using the following methods:

- BBC Radio Nottingham will make announcements as well as show details on their website (www.bbc.co.uk/nottingham);
- Capital Radio (used to be Radio Trent) will make an announcement as well as show details on their website (<u>www.capitalfm.com/nottinghamshire</u>);
- > Gem 106 (used to be Heart 106) will make an announcement as well as show details on their website (<a href="www.qem106.co.uk">www.qem106.co.uk</a>);
- The school website will be updated
- > We will send emails and text messages. Please ensure we have up to date mobile numbers & email addresses.

I would ask that you use these methods to find out whether school is open rather than ringing the office as this clogs up the phone lines.

If you are struggling to access websites because of technical difficulties, due to the amount of people trying to access the websites involved, may I suggest you check more than one to be sure.

## Closure during school hours

If weather deteriorates during the normal school day we will remain open, but please feel free to collect your child early.

I do not make the decision to close the school lightly and will make every effort to continue business as usual

Yours sincerely

Miss C Reilly Headteacher