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Dear Parent / Carer

In light of this week's weather forecast, I am writing to remind you of the arrangements when the school is affected by any severe weather.

All information relating to how the school may be being affected by the weather can be accessed via a permanent link on the front page of our school website to the Suffolk County Council School Closures website. As we use this service, we do not alter our own website for this purpose. Suffolk County Council School Closures website is directly accessible on <http://schoolclosures.suffolk.gov.uk>.

In addition to this service:

- Announcements will also be made on BBC Radio Suffolk; Heart FM
- We will also send out a text and ParentMail to let you know if there are any changes to the school day as a result of severe weather.

It is our intention at all times to do whatever we can to keep the school open. Parents / carers should note that our staff come from a long distance to work with us, and it might be that the transport situation means that we may have to run shorter hours or close because staff cannot get in. However, please note that the default position for the school is 'open'. Therefore unless the Suffolk County Council School Closures website says otherwise, we are open!

I would also ask that you avoid calling the school telephone number on the morning of any severe weather to ask if we are open. Any change to the opening hours of the school will already have been communicated to you through the methods outlined in this letter and it would certainly help to keep our telephone lines available.

Please keep a copy of this letter in a safe place so you can refer to it should we be affected by severe weather.

I would like to thank you for your forbearance with any issues that may arise as a result of issues arising from severe weather over the coming winter period.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Barrow
Headteacher

