



Paces Conductive Education School Adverse Weather Conditions Policy

Introduction

The School/Charity will make every effort to remain open whenever possible.

The decision to close the School will be made by the Headteacher and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) jointly. The School will only be closed if one or more of the following conditions apply.

- Insufficient staff are able to come in to keep the school running safely.
- Conditions on site are dangerous.
- Conditions are considered to be, or are anticipated to later become, too hazardous to travel.

In the Event of Heavy Snow Before the School Day Starts

Parents

When School closure is a possibility parents/families/staff should find out whether the School is open by: -

- Checking the Paces School website - <https://www.pacessheffield.org.uk>
- Checking Paces Sheffield Social Media platforms – here Twitter & Facebook
- The Headteacher & CEO will make any closure known by 7am

If it is decided the School will open, but the road conditions are potentially hazardous, parents/families should ring the School to advise that they are likely to be late.

2.2 The School

The Headteacher will decide whether the school will open – in consultation with CEO - taking into account the conditions at the School and the ability of staff to get there.

If the Headteacher decides the school will close, he/she will update the Paces School website accordingly by 7am.

The School fully appreciates in bad weather children may arrive later than usual.

Exceptional Circumstances



The School recognises there may be occasions where families experience difficulties with regards to transporting their children into school due to adverse weather in the area, they live in.

In such cases parents should advise the Headteacher of their particular circumstances so he/she can authorise the absence appropriately to the Local Authority.

In the event of heavy snowfall during the School day

If there is heavy snowfall during the school day the Headteacher will decide whether it is necessary to close the school.

The Office will contact parents/transport and ask that they pick their child/children up from School as soon as possible.

The Staff that live furthest from the School will be permitted to leave at the earliest opportunity.

A skeleton staff will remain in School until all of the children have been collected.

If a parent rings requesting, they pick their child up early due to the weather, and the decision has not been made to close the school, these requests will be considered on an individual basis by the Headteacher.

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