



Birches First School

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Important Weather Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

You will be aware of the current weather forecast, which predicts significant snowfall on Thursday afternoon and evening. Whilst all three schools within Codsall Multi Academy Trust have remained open during recent snow showers and icy conditions—and we will always endeavour to remain open where it is safe to do so—should the forecasted conditions materialise, it may be necessary to close all three schools on Friday.

We have put in place a plan for site staff to assess conditions early on Friday morning, provided they are able to travel safely. School leaders will be advised accordingly, and we will communicate any decision regarding closure to parents by approximately 7:15am via:

School text/communication apps

School Website

As you will appreciate, several factors must be considered when making this decision, including:

- Health and safety of the school grounds
- Safe access and travel to the site for parents and staff
- School staff being able to travel to school safely to ensure pupil ratios are met and ensure safety
- Adequate heating and access to essential services

We hope the forecast improves, but should it not, we wanted to inform you of our plan well in advance of Thursday evening. We appreciate the disruption a school closure has on working parents particularly and wanted to allow as much time for parents to put in place a contingency for this.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Kind regards

J Parker

CEO