

Crosby on Eden C E Primary School

Snow Weather Procedures

The following arrangements are put into operation at school, during days when we experience disruption caused by severe snow.

Snow Day Information

- A text is sent to parents by 8.30am if the school is going to CLOSE. Parents are asked **NOT** call the school as staff will be busy and cannot answer. Also, calling the school this blocks the lines for staff to report in or essential calls to be made.
- Information will also be posted on the school website.
- If conditions deteriorate during a school day a decision may be made to close the school early. A text will always be sent parents to inform them of any changes.
- If you do not hear from the school then assume it is a normal day and we are OPEN.

Restricted Site Access and Priority Path Clearance

On mornings disrupted by heavy snow we will do the following:

- Clear a path into school via the front gate, main entrance and Early Years path.
- Parents should ensure that children use the gritted path to access the school.
- From 8.40am children can access classrooms from the main entrance.

On snow days we ask that parents and children DO NOT arrive at school early, i.e. before 8.40am, and avoid congregating in school grounds before classes begin.

Registration on Snow Days

On snow days, if you have received a text to say the school is OPEN but with the restrictions described above, children will not be marked late until after 9.30am. Therefore, **on severe snow days children can arrive between 8.40am and 9.30am**. This flexible start will help avoid congestion on the roads and pavements outside school and improve safety. If you do not receive a text then registration is at the normal time of 8.55am.

Early Closing for Snow and Severe Weather Dismissals

If the school needs to close early due to deteriorating weather conditions a text will be sent to parents.

The following procedures will operate:

- Children will remain in their classroom
- All appropriate entrances and corridors will be opened
- Parents and carers will collect children directly from the classroom.

Thank you for your patience. We will always do everything possible to keep the school open throughout the winter without compromising the safety of your children.