BAD WEATHER STATEMENT

OXLEY PARK ACADEMY

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Guidance for Parents/Carers in the case of bad weather

It is our policy to remain open unless we are forced to close because there is a risk to the health and safety of staff and pupils.

If we are closed, parents and carers will be notified via the school website, Arbor email system, and our social media channels (Instagram, X and Facebook). The closure will also be posted on the Milton Keynes Council website.

When bad weather is expected, members of the Site Team endeavour to be on site by 7:00 am each day, and they will liaise with the Senior Leaders as quickly as possible. If the school is to be closed, or a later start is invoked for safe traveling purposes, we will inform parents and carers via the channels above.

The closure **will** be avoided where possible.

There is no need to contact the school to check whether or not the school is open. Unless announced as above, we are open! While we understand parental concerns, it is a challenge for the office to respond to literally hundreds of calls. Please do not telephone the school at these times unless there is an emergency.

These are not decisions we take lightly. We enjoy coming to school as much as the children and will always strive to ensure continuity is maintained.

Should the weather worsen during a school day, pupils will only be sent home if we have concerns that pupils and staff are at risk of being unable to travel home safely.

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