



Unavoidable school closures due to severe weather

In the event of severe weather, we have the following arrangements in place to keep parents/carers up to date with any necessary changes. We understand that severe weather can be disruptive and cause parents/carers to worry, which often results in the school phone lines becoming very busy and impossible to get through as parents/carers try to speak someone in school. The following arrangements will hopefully enable us to communicate with you promptly so that you feel fully informed.

- Our school website will be updated throughout the day www.pendle.lancs.sch.uk - the rolling banner will include relevant information.
- You will receive a message via Parent Pay to inform you of any closures. Please ensure your contact details are up to date.
- We will contact BBC Radio Lancashire (95.5FM/104.5FM) who announce school closures and also list them on their website.
- If school needs to close during the school day, we will contact parents/carers to allow them to collect their child/ren early from school. School will always endeavour to remain open until 3.25pm to look after children who cannot be collected early.
- If your child normally attends After School Club, we ask you to make every effort to collect them early if you are informed of school closure.

Any decisions to close school or send children home early are made by the Headteacher after careful consideration of deterioration in weather conditions on the day and local weather reports. School will only be closed early in extreme weather conditions.

Please support us by:

- Checking the school website
- Listening to Radio Lancashire or checking their website
- Ensuring we have up to date contact details
- Only phoning school to speak to the office if you really have to
- Planning ahead if the forecast predicts extreme weather