

Dear Parents/Carers

How it goes when it snows.....

It looks as if we are in for some wintery weather! We will always endeavour to keep the schools open; however we must take account of a wide variety of factors to ensure the safety of children and staff. These can vary from school to school and can change on a day to day basis; it is inconvenient for all of us. *Please do not assume the school is closed as this may incur an unauthorised absence for your child.*

How do I know if school is open?

Parentmail For those of you that have subscribed to our Parentmail system you will be informed by text and/or email as soon as a decision is made. Please make sure you have registered your up-to-date email and mobile number with the school office.

Milton Keynes Council You can register your mobile number and school name on the Milton Keynes Council website which will then mean you will receive a text informing you if the school is closed. Please register at https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/closures?status=c The schools are responsible for updating this each day if the school is closed. Each day, schools that are closed are broadcast on Heart 103.3 and Three Counties Radio.

School Websites We will post any closures on our website <u>www.bushfieldschool.net</u> <u>www.wyvernschool.org</u>

Hot dinners for both schools are provided by Essence Catering, based at Wyvern School; consequently, if they are closed due to staff shortages, and the schools are open, it is very helpful if children can come with packed lunches as we have limited facilities to prepare food. Also, please note that if we open in snowy weather it is highly likely that we will cancel after school activities. Please also ensure that children come to school in suitable footwear, warm coats, hats and gloves as the children will be allowed out to play and enjoy the snow at some point during the day if it is deemed safe to do so.

We hope that the snow does not cause any disruption but hope you find this information helpful. Of course if you have any questions or worries please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Kind regards

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