



SCHOOL CLOSURE PROCEDURES

In the event of the school having to partially or fully close due to an emergency or any adverse weather conditions, as well as advising on this website we will keep parents/carers informed by using our text messaging service and email. Therefore, please ensure we hold the correct mobile phone numbers and email addresses for you, and update the school office if necessary.

You will appreciate that the decision to close a school is not an easy one. In making such a decision we consider whether or not it is safe for children and parents, and staff to travel to school, whether the site is safe and the heating is on. We will also consider whether we can get enough staff into school to supervise the children.

We will endeavour to make a decision on whether to open or close both the Infant & Junior schools as early as possible. We use various means of communication which are detailed below:

- Check the home page of the junior school website: www.hollybrookjunior.co.uk
- Ensure we have your up to date mobile number as we will send texts to confirm whether school is open
- Ensure we have your up to date email address as we will send emails to all parents who usually receive emails
- Check our school Facebook Group (you must already be part of this group)
- Check the Southampton website at www.southampton.gov.uk/learning/schools/schoolclosures/

If school is open, please consider that there may be issues with lunch deliveries so be prepared to send your child with a packed lunch if necessary. We will confirm whether this is an issue via text/email. Please ensure your child has suitable outdoor clothing and footwear.

When the weather is hazardous and the school is open it is for you as a parent to decide whether you feel it is safe for your child to make the journey to school. Once we have children in the building we can keep them safe, however we cannot make an assessment of each road and footpath in our community.

We would hope that you will make every effort to bring your child to school.

Thank you for your patience and support.