

SNOW information

Please keep this information in a safe place so that you can refer to it in the future on how we will notify you should the school closed.

In preparation for the winter weather, we have been discussing plans for the school. Wherever possible the school will endeavour to stay open, but the health and safety of everyone on our school site must be our priority and will determine any decision taken.



Factors that will be taken into consideration:

- the amount of snow
- accessibility of the school site and roads surrounding the school
- staffing - many of our staff live a distance from the school and as you know journeys take much longer in snowy conditions
- forecasts for the rest of the day
- safety on site

Any decision to shut the school will be made as early as possible. All nominated contacts for each child will be sent an email, as this will be the quickest way to alert you to any decision made. **Please ensure that your contact numbers are correct, it is your responsibility to update any changes.** We will also post a message on the front page of our website at www.farleyhillprimary.co.uk. Radio Stations will also update on school closures (BBC Berkshire and Heart FM). If the school is shut the After School Club will also be closed.

If children come in to school and severe weather occurs throughout the day and the roads are looking treacherous, we may make the decision to close early. This is a decision that can only be taken on the day and would be taken after looking at the risks to all staff and children on the site. Our email service would be used to contact parents. After School Club will also close and children will need to be collected.

You may like to consider making your own arrangements now so that you are prepared for 'snow days'.

Finally, wellies for all children are a must if there is a significant amount of ice or snow in the playground. Please make sure your child has a pair and that they are named.