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Dear parents and carers

### **Reminder about arrangements for wintry weather**

In anticipation of wintry weather causing some disruption later this week, I am writing to remind you of the arrangements that we have in place for clearing priority paths to the school building.

1. Paths are cleared across the playground so that pupils who attend Breakfast Club can go straight to the Pupil Door leading to the gym.
2. The path from Dunbar St is cleared at the pedestrian side so that children and their parents can walk safely into school. ***Car parks are not treated and parents' cars must not be brought into the school grounds.***
3. The path from King St is cleared so that children and their parents can walk safely into school.
4. Paths to the portakabin and annexe buildings are cleared.

Everyone is asked to walk only on the cleared paths and **avoid walking on untreated surfaces**. In this way we can hopefully reduce the number of trips and slips.



### **Important message about our winter weather policy**

- We always try our best to keep the school open. Travel only if it is safe to do so. Classes start at 9.30am to allow extra time for safe journeys.
- Breakfast Club is open as usual between 8.15am and 8.45am. ***Children who are not attending Breakfast Club should arrive no earlier than 8.45am.***

**Please make sure that your child has a warm coat, suitable footwear and gloves.**  
**They need indoor shoes to wear inside the building. Please put a spare pair of socks in your child's bag.**

- When children arrive at school, they are asked to walk on the cleared paths in the playground. Snowballs are **never** to be thrown in the school grounds.

P1 – P3/4 children should go into the main building, change out of their wet coats and boots and then go to the hall. Parents are respectfully asked to remain outside.



Older children go straight to their own buildings where they can change out of their wet things and then read in the classrooms, supervised by Pupil Support Assistants. Children always wear jackets when they move between buildings in poor weather.

At playtime, all children stay in their own classrooms, supervised by staff.

At lunchtime, P1 – P3/4 pupils eat in the hall as usual and then return to their classrooms.

P4 – P7 pupils who have school lunch come to the hall and those who have packed lunches eat them in the classrooms.

P4 – P7 pupils who wish to play out will be allowed to do so as long as they have appropriate clothing to keep them warm and dry. If weather conditions deteriorate, they will be brought inside.

**If it snows, all after school activities and meetings are always cancelled so that pupils and staff can travel home safely.**

***Please make sure that your contact details are up to date.***

Thank you for your co-operation to keep our children safe.

Yours sincerely  
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