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Dear parent/carer

In rare and very exceptional circumstances such as a sudden deterioration in weather conditions, we may need to release your child early during the Academy day in order to ensure their safe return home.

As agreed by parents as part of the Parent Forum meetings, the Academy should be in line with other schools in the area who, in the event of such unusual circumstances, release children without having to inform the parents. This is now our policy. Schools do this because students and staff need to get home as quickly as possible as the weather can turn rapidly and travelling home can become extremely dangerous. In the event of closing the Academy, all the students will be told to contact home through their mobiles or use of a friend's mobile.

We would suggest that given our weather forecasting service is pretty accurate, you are likely to be aware of adverse weather conditions the night before, and you should be able to plan for the event. This might involve ensuring your child has a key and perhaps advising him/her to walk home with a friend or older/younger sibling. We will have a common sense approach to uniform on these days, in particular to footwear.

If the Academy has to be closed for a prolonged period of time then further details will be placed on the Academy website and updated as required. Students can access various sites such as Mymaths, Kaboodle, Moodle and/or complete work on 'Show my Homework'.

Thank you for your support in this matter and in the mean time I wish you a very happy Christmas period.

Yours sincerely



Rhodri Bryant
Executive Principal