

## St Paul's CE Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

## Re: SCHOOL CLOSURE AND PARENTS'EVENINGS

Thank you for your support during these difficult couple of days. In conjunction with the Chair of Governors, I have made the decision to close the school on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March due to the treacherous conditions around school and the health and safety of both pupils and staff getting to school in the morning- many of our staff live in rural destinations and I need to ensure there are sufficient staff/pupil ratios for school to operate efficiently and safely. I am aware that many other Oldham schools are also taking this precaution, too.

I am sure this closure may have been a huge inconvenience to many parents, but I have tried to give enough notice for you to make arrangements wherever necessary.

## **WORKPARTY TO CLEAR SNOW**

I intend to hold a work party of keen volunteers to clear the paths and driveway at school on Sunday at 1:00 p.m. The amount of snow that has fallen under sub-zero conditions will mean that a lot of work will be required to ensure the grounds are safe on Monday morning. This will not be possible for Mr Jenkinson alone. I would appreciate any volunteers messaging me on Class DoJo to let me know if you are able to help out and bring your own snow shovels with you. I must add that parents/helpers will be responsible for their own Risk under these circumstances and that there would be a High risk of slipping and falling. On this occasion, children will not be permitted to assist.

## **REPORTS AND PARENTS'EVENING**

Reports were due to go out on Tuesday prior to parents' evenings next week. In discussion with staff, we have decided that reports will now go out on Monday 5th March and the parents' evenings will take place the following week at the same time. If you have already sent your reply requesting appointment times, we will assume these can still take place the following week unless we receive further communication from yourselves. Staff will be required to consult with their colleagues to ensure sibling appointments are relatively close together. Please will anyone still requiring to send in their appointment request ensure this comes into school on Monday. If you are unable to make any of these appointment times, please arrange an alternative time with the class teacher. Miss Chadderton in the Nursery will make alternative arrangements for her parents with appointments on the Monday as she is unable to re arrange on the 12th March.

Thank you again for your support over the last few days.

H J Henderson (Head Teacher)

Deputy Head Teacher: Mrs H Green

Mr. Stephen Wilcock: Chair of Governors



