



Pear Tree Community Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers

I wanted to make you aware of how we will notify if there is a school closure for severe weather.

In the morning, the site staff and myself will look at the safety of the site and the immediate area. Staff will let me know by 7.30am if they are unable to make it into school (some staff live up to an hour away). At this point, I will decide as to whether school will be open or closed.

By 7.45am on the day the decision will be made and then a text message will be sent to state if we are open or not. If the school is closing, we will notify Radio Derby too. Please do not ring the school to see if we are open or closed (especially if before 7.45am) but do check your texts.

If a decision is able to be made earlier, then we will notify you as soon as possible as we know that last minute decisions on this can be hard to juggle with arrangements. We will always do as much as we can to keep school open.

In terms of early pick-up for severe weather, we will always stay open as long as possible and communicate if it is needed for children to be picked up early (this would only happen if there had been constant snowfall, not if it was just predicted). Please do not turn up to pick up your child early unless school has communicated that this would be appropriate to do.

Mrs L Collins
Head of School