



St Andrew the Apostle School severe weather plan

On rare occasions we may not be able to open the School as normal because of severe weather conditions. We understand that this can be very difficult for parents and carers and it is not a decision we take lightly especially as schools are seen nationally as critical and essential services.

School Closure

Any decision to close the school will be made on the basis of the risk to student safety, either because of physical conditions on the site (for example, if the heating fails) or because we do not have enough staff to carry out our duty of care (for example, because of transport disruption).

'Late Start Day'

It is, however, our desire and intention to keep the School open whenever possible. With this in mind, if circumstances allow, a 'Late Start Day' will be implemented instead of full school closure.

A 'Late Start Day' will mean school starting at 10.00am, with a modified timetable for the day and will then finish at 3.00pm.

If severe weather is forecast we will update parents under Headteacher's News on the front page of our website. If conditions change unexpectedly we will send out a text message to parents