



Bishop Vesey's Grammar School

A specialist Language College and Training School

Executive Head: David Iddon BA (Hons) MEd NPQH

Headteacher: Dominic Robson BA (Hons) NPQH

November 2012

Dear Parents

Procedures regarding adverse weather affecting the opening of the school

In the event of adverse weather, all efforts will be made to keep the school open. If the local authority decides to close all the schools we have been assured that the media - Heart FM, Radio WM and BRMB will issue that news by 6.45am at the latest. However, there are likely to be instances when local weather conditions will force the closure of our own school. This decision will lie with the Headteacher who will declare the closure on the BVGS website www.bvgs.co.uk also by 6.45am.

Procedures regarding adverse weather affecting the early closing of the school

Under exceptional circumstances, the school may need to close early due to adverse weather to help students with long journeys travel home. I would therefore ask that you discuss with your son/daughter the specific family arrangements to be in place should the school need to close early. We would strongly advise that rather than just relying on public transport or you making a long car journey to collect your son/daughter, you also agree with them a local place of safety to go to (a relative or friend). Students may remain on site if they are being collected and they will be told where to assemble for this purpose. Whatever travel arrangements you decide upon it is important that you have discussed them with your son/daughter. For younger students it would be helpful if they ensure they have an emergency contact number stored in their mobile phones and a note of this number made in their planner.

We advise that students come to school with suitable warm and waterproof clothing and, as a school, we will try to ensure that our catering service remains open at break and lunchtimes.

Boswell Road can be particularly treacherous during snowfall and if you do need to use a motor vehicle we would be most grateful if you could avoid the roads directly adjacent to the school site.



Lichfield Road Sutton Coldfield West Midlands B74 2NH

Tel: 0121 250 5400 Fax: 0121 250 5420

head@bishopveseys.bham.sch.uk

www.bvgs.co.uk

Registered charity 517907

