



INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURE GUIDE FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Dewstow Primary School has detailed procedures in place to deal with inclement weather conditions. The decisions to close our school will never be taken lightly and a full risk assessment will be undertaken to ensure the safety and wellbeing of pupils, parents/carers, staff and visitors prior to any decision being made. As you can appreciate there are many factors that will affect the safety and wellbeing of our school community including the condition of access, roads and paths, availability of staff and conditions within the school site itself to name but a few. Every effort will be made to keep Dewstow Primary School open during any adverse weather conditions although this cannot be guaranteed. Below is an outline of the steps that will take place if we experience adverse weather conditions.

ADVERSE WEATHER CONDIDITONS OVERNIGHT AND / OR DURING WEEKENDS / HOLIDAYS

Between 6am and 7am a risk assessment of the school site / surrounding areas will be undertaken and availability of staff will be sought.

At approximately 7am, Mrs Bain will liaise with the Chair of Governors as to whether school will be OPEN as usual, or CLOSED to both pupils and staff.

Following the decision, Parents/Carers will be informed via the school website as well as the Monmouthshire Borough website which will be updated with our status and local radio stations will be informed.

If the school is closed, parents/carers will be kept updated via the school website, SCHOOP and Monmouthshire website throughout the day.

Capital FM website: www.capitalfm.com PLEASE MONITOR CONDITIONS THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL DAY. IF YOU ARE IN ANY DOUBT PLEASE COLLECT YOUR CHILD.