



# SILKMORE PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents / Guardians,



**Hello Winter!**

As we approach the colder months I am writing to remind families about precautions we can all take to keep your children safe and well, and about school closure procedures should they be required.

Coats, hats and gloves and jumpers will help your children to stay dry and warm whilst still allowing them to play out in inclement weather. I would also recommend that children bring a change of footwear to school for safety and comfort on particularly bad days. Some grippy shoes or wellies are ideal for outside whilst lighter school type shoes are more comfortable in class. This will mean safer playing outside and warmer feet in lessons.

This letter is to help you understand what we can do in school and what you can do to help your children be better prepared for the weather to come. Please see our Snowdesk Procedures below.

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs A Didier  
Executive Head Teacher



## Snowdesk Procedures



In the event of really poor weather, we may have to shut the school. This happens rarely, but sometimes it needs to be done. The worst day for travelling is usually the first day of snow when it seems to delay traffic a lot. After that we (as a country) seem to cope better!

Mr Steve Burrows is first on site and, in the event of heavy snow, he will talk with me in order for us to make the correct decision regarding the school. We will use local traffic conditions, the West Midlands Met Office website and [accuweather.com](http://accuweather.com) to inform our decision.

If the school is going to be shut, parents will be alerted via Marvellous Me and PIOTA. We would aim to get the message out to parents by 7.30am at the latest. **Please note: No message means that school is open as usual.** We will also post a message on our Facebook page.