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Dear Parents,

Emergency School Closure – Severe Weather Conditions

In the event of the school having to close or partially close you will be contacted via Groupcall text message. The decision is made usually about 7-7.30am following discussions between local members of staff, the transport companies and the Headteacher. Every effort will be made to open the school for children who can safely travel.

Please remember that the weather can be extremely localised, and you may be the best person to give information to the bus/taxi company about where you live. If you realise that the weather would indicate this is not a safe option for the bus/taxi, please contact them directly to discuss the road conditions. Please also note that if the bus/taxi company do not pick up pupils in the morning they do not normally do the home time school run. If you bring your child/ren in yourself, you will need to pick them up at 3.20pm. You will appreciate that time is of the essence in these situations and speedy and accurate information sharing is vital.

Should it be necessary to close school during school hours, we will arrange for pupils receiving school transport to depart as a priority and contact all parents/carers before releasing children from school by telephone.

It is essential that the school office has a current phone number (preferably a mobile phone number) to allow us to contact you. If your contact details have recently changed, please contact the office on 01887 822430 to have them updated.

You are also able to keep track of any announcements that may be made regarding school closures by using any of the sources below, especially if your mobile reception is weak or on the rare occasion that mobiles are down. Please keep this handy for future reference.

Kind regards,

Sheona Allen

Head Teacher

Severe Weather Arrangements Useful Contact Numbers

Contact Information for Parents

Please note announcements of school closures will be made as soon as possible following receipt of information from schools advising of a closure.

| Service | Contact Details | When Used | Other Comments |
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| Radio Tay Am | Not applicable | All Instances | Frequency AM 1584 and 1161 |
| Radio Tay Fm | Not applicable | All Instances | FM 96.4 and 102.8 |
| PKC Customer Service Centre – Number for Parents | 01738 475000 (main Council line) | All Instances | Available from 08:45 hours to 17:00 hours Mon-Fri. |
| PKC website | www.pkc.gov.uk | All instances | Parents/Carers can find closure updates on the Perth and Kinross Council website by logging onto <u>www.pkc.gov.uk</u> where closures will be flagged up on the Home page, or alternatively access the information on <u>http://www.pkc.gov.uk/Schoolclosures</u> |
| PKC Twitter and Facebook | www.pkc.gov.uk | All instances | |
| Radio Heartland | Not applicable | Widespread conditions | FM 97.5 Used if schools closed are within an area known not to receive Radio Tay signal |
| Radio Central | Not applicable | Widespread conditions | FM 103.1 Used if schools closed are within an area known not to receive Radio Tay signal |