Auchtergaven Primary School

Emergency closure of schools – Severe Weather Conditions

The arrangements for the emergency closure of schools is reviewed and updated annually. The 2014 update has been concluded and the school has prepared an Emergency Closure Plan.

Every effort will be made to keep the school open but in circumstances where conditions worsen during the day parents or emergency contacts will receive a phone call to request that children be collected from the school.

It is imperative that we hold the correct emergency contact information for your child. Should your information have changed since our recent update of information, please let the school know as soon as possible.

In the event of being unable to contact parents or the emergency contact, a place of safety will be found for children and parents or emergency contacts will be contacted as soon as possible. No child will be allowed to leave the school without a safe place to go.

Parents of children who live in outlying areas should assess the local conditions and make a decision about whether or not to send your child to school in the morning.

In the event of the school being unable to open in the morning due to severe weather conditions, information for parents will be available from the following sources:

* **Radio Tay** (used in all instances)

Frequency  AM 1584  FM 96.4 - Perth only

  Frequency AM 1161 FM 102.8 - Everywhere else

* **Radio Heartland FM** (only used for widespread weather conditions)

Frequency      FM 97.5

 FM 106.6

Used if schools are within an area known not to receive Radio Tay signal

* **Radio Central** (only used for widespread weather conditions)

Frequency FM 103.1

Used if schools are within an area known not to receive Radio Tay signal

* **Perth and Kinross Council Customer Service Centre**

Parents/Carers should dial 01738 475000 (main Council line).

(Available from 08:00 hours to 18:00 hours however this line may operate from 07:00

 hours in exceptional circumstances)

* **Perth and Kinross Council Website**

 Parents/Carers can also find closure updates on the Perth and Kinross Council website by logging onto [www.pkc.gov.uk](http://www.pkc.gov.uk) where closures will be flagged up on the Home page , or alternatively access the information on <http://www.pkc.gov.uk/Schoolclosures>

**Perth and Kinross Council Twitter and Facebook**

School closure announcements will be available via the social media sites Twitter and Facebook [www.pkc.gov.uk/socialmedia](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/socialmedia)

Radio Tay, Perth & Kinross Customer Service Centre and the Perth & Kinross Council website will continue to be the main sources of information for parents/carers.

**Should there be a possibility of the school having to close during the day, please keep tuned in to Radio Tay**