

Abernethy Primary & Nursery School



Severe Weather Information for Parents/Carers



Should we go to school when it is snowing?

Yes! As long as you are safe to travel, we would love to see you.

Sometimes however conditions can be difficult when large amounts of snow fall.

The arrangement in this leaflet should answer any questions you may have. Every effort will be made to ensure our school remains open, but the safety of children and staff is our main consideration at all times.

What should we do in the event of a heavy snow shower before school?

If you are unsure if the school is open, the information you require will be available from these sources:

- Radio Tay from 7am (96.4FM)
- Via School Twitter @abernethyps and our school communication app.
Website - <http://abernethyprimaryschool.schoolwebsite.scot/>
- council website <http://www.pkc.gov.uk/schoolclosures> and twitter @Perth and Kinross

What happens when heavy snow falls during the day?

Where possible we shall try to keep the school open and provide normal teaching. However, if conditions worsen, it may be necessary to close during the day.

Should this situation arise a text message will be sent to parents, (Group call)

If we have to close, children will not be permitted to leave school without firstly contacting parents to ensure each child is returned to a responsible adult.

If taxi providers make a decision to collect children early, parents will be informed by the school.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT OUR CONTACT NUMBERS AND EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS ARE UP TO DATE.

Please tell us immediately of any changes to your home, mobile or work telephone numbers.

What happens if the school opens during a heavy snowfall?

We may not have all paths clear and children may need to enter and exit from different doors.

We will let you know what should happen.

If the playground is not suitable for playing, indoor arrangements will be made for break times.

If we are able to allow pupils out to play, please ensure they are properly dressed, including footwear. We would wish to encourage the children to be outside playing and enjoying the snow.

