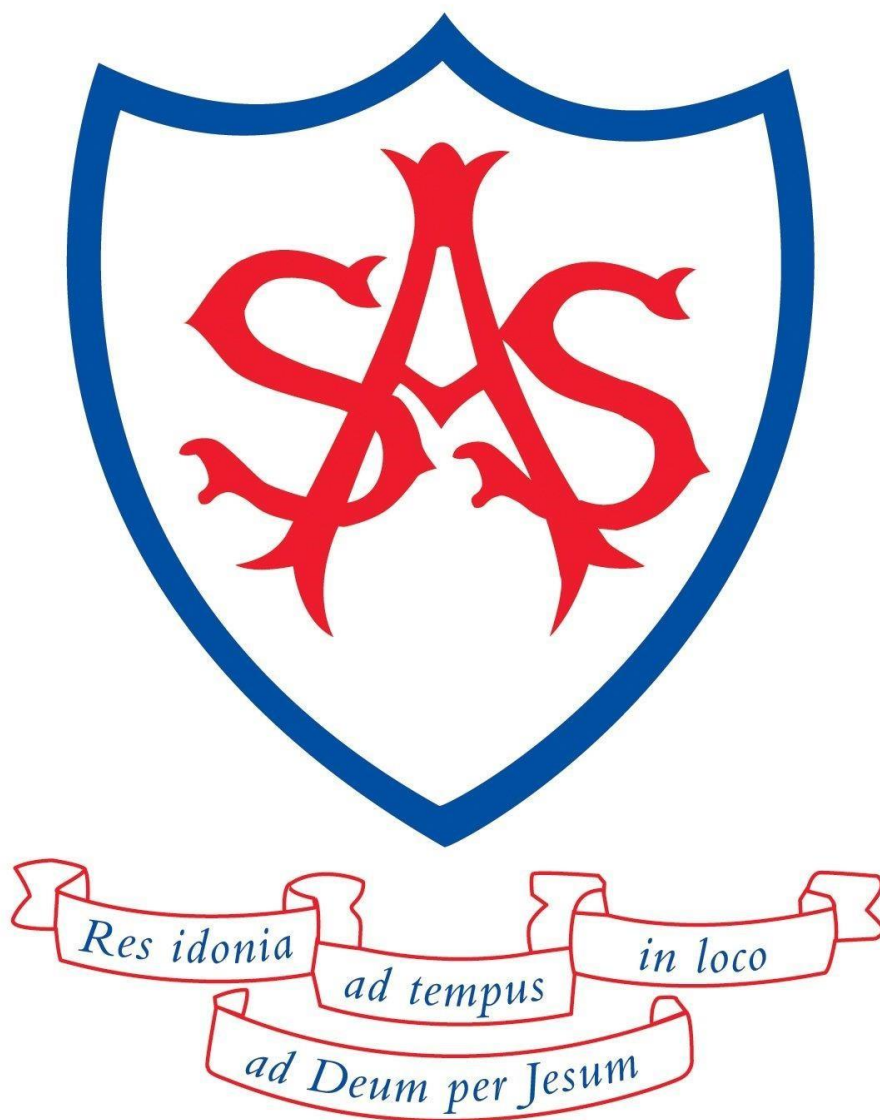


St Antony's Primary School



Adverse Weather Conditions Policy

Policy date: January 2022

Introduction

The school will make every effort to remain open whenever possible.

The decision to close the school will be made by the Head Teacher in consultation with the Chair of Governors. The school will only be closed if one or more of the following conditions apply.

* Insufficient amount of staff members are able to come in, making it difficult to keep the school running safely.

* Conditions on site are dangerous.

* Conditions are considered to be or are anticipated to later become too hazardous to travel.

A decision will be made by 8am and this will be on the school website.

In the Event of Heavy Snow Before the School Day Starts

When school closure is a possibility parents should find out whether the school is open by:-

- Checking the school website <http://www.stantonyscatholicps.co.uk/>
- Checking emails as messages will be sent via Parent Mail.
- If it is decided that the school will open, but the road conditions are difficult, parents should ring the school to advise that they are likely to be late.
- If parents assume that the school is closed, but it is actually open, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised unless the Head Teacher is satisfied that there are exceptional circumstances.

The School

The Head Teacher, in consultation with the Chair of Governors, will decide whether the school will open taking into account the conditions at the school and the ability of staff to get there.

If the Head Teacher decides the school will close the website will be updated accordingly and a text message/parent mail will be sent to staff and parents advising them of the closure.

It is important for parents to check the website in case the text system/parent mail is slow.

St Antony's fully appreciates that in bad weather children may arrive later than usual.

In the event of heavy snowfall during the school day

If there is heavy snowfall during the school day the Head Teacher will decide whether it is necessary to close the school.

The office will contact parents via parent mail and ask that they pick their child/children up from school as soon as possible.

The Staff that live furthest from the school will be permitted to leave at the earliest opportunity. A skeleton staff will remain in school until all of the children have been collected.

If a parent rings requesting they pick their child up early due to the weather, and the decision has not been made to close the school, these requests will be considered on an individual basis by the Head Teacher.

Remote Learning

In the event of a school closure, all pupils will be provided with remote learning in line with the Remote Learning Policy.