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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you may be aware, the Met Office is forecasting severe weather for our area in the coming weeks. We are currently preparing our contingency plans and will keep you informed as the situation becomes clearer.

In the event of snow, we plan to open as usual, but our final decision will be taken based on weather conditions and whether it is considered to be safe for staff and pupils to travel.

Please read the guidance below about how you can be prepared for all eventualities:

- Please ensure your child has warm, waterproof clothing, including sturdy shoes/Wellington boots, hat, scarf and gloves and a warm coat
- If your child has a phone please make sure it is fully charged and has sufficient credit
- If necessary, please make some childcare arrangements so that if the school is unable to open as a result of heavy snow, or needs to close during the day, you have plans in place
- Please ensure that your child knows where they should go if the school closes early due to deteriorating weather conditions or other eventualities
- If it snows, please check we are open. You can do this in the following ways:
- Check the school website at www.compass-school.net
- Check the Council's website at: <http://www.southampton.gov.uk/learning/schools/schoolclosures/>
- Sign up to the Council's Twitter service at: <http://twitter.com/LearningInSoton>

Our school will also send you a text via Call Parent– please make sure we have your up-to-date mobile number.

Please note: BBC Radio Solent will not be broadcasting snow closures this year.

If school has to close during the day, we will contact you via text messaging. Further updates will be posted onto the school website and the Council website.

Yours sincerely,

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