## **Shiplake CE School**

## **SNOW POLICY – SCHOOL CLOSURE**

In the event of extreme inclement weather, such as when heavy falls of snow develop overnight and continue into the following day or extreme icy conditions, parents should take the following advice about the possibility of school closure.

Whenever possible, Shiplake Church of England (CE) School will remain open. However, we have to consider the safety of all our children and staff, some of whom travel a great distance into school each day.

Should the need arise, in severe weather a decision will be made by 8am if the school is to be closed. The decision to close will be made by the Headteacher who will have 'on-the-ground' knowledge and in consultation with the Chair of Governors. Consideration will be given to a partial closure or reduced curriculum.

A notice will be issued to all parents/carers registered on the ParentMail system (both text and email) and the school website (www.shiplakeprimary.org.uk) will be updated as early as possible. A message will also be issued via Twitter to those who are following the school. Please do not telephone the school before 8.30am. If you do arrive at school, please do not leave your children without confirming that the school is to remain open.

Our aim is to open every day but hopefully this information will give some clarity.

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