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Dear Parents

Emergency Planning - Closure of the College

I would like to outline the full procedures should the academy need to be closed either outside or during normal school hours. During adverse weather conditions, please assume the academy is open unless advised otherwise and information will be provided from 7 a.m. as follows:

Closure outside of normal school hours

- On the following local radio stations: Heart (96-107) and More Radio (106.4)
- On the academy website www.theburgesshillacademy.org.uk
- Parent Hotline. We have a "one number" telephone service – the Parent Hotline 08447 70 75 76 Our School ID : 65536.
- A single text message on each morning that the academy is closed (based on the data held on SIMS to the main parental contact). Updates would then be provided during the day as necessary on the academy website and on the Parent Hotline.

Children, who fail to attend, when the academy is officially open, will be registered as unauthorised absence.

Work for students will be available using Class Charts for all students and also GCSE Pod for years 10 & 11. Students without computer access should use the time for revision.

Closure during normal school hours

The Principal will announce the closure to all staff and students. Information will be provided to a wider audience e.g. parent, local community by similar means as those outlined above.

The procedure for students will be:

- All students will remain in/at the academy until released by a member of staff.
- All students will be permitted to walk or make their own way home if they can confirm to us that they have a safe, warm place to go and the weather conditions are suitable for the journey.
- All students will be expected to have left the academy by the normal end of the school day (3pm) unless they themselves have raised concerns or their parents have contacted the academy to express a concern.

Yours sincerely

Jon Francies
Principal

