

# Healing School – A Science Academy - Emergency Closure Plan

Teaching and Learning is our core business but health and safety has to be our number one priority, at all times.

In the event of extreme weather conditions or any other type of emergency circumstances, please note the following points:

## SCHOOL OPEN

- The school will OPEN providing all reasonable measures can be put in place to do so safely. (This decision will be made in consultation with various agencies e.g. the school bus companies)
- If we are open, we would like pupils to attend but in the event of extreme weather conditions Parents or Carers must make the final decision on whether or not it is safe for their child to travel.
- Pupils who are late should report to pupil reception and providing every reasonable attempt has been made to come to school, no child will be punished for being late.
- On arrival, pupils should report immediately to their form room – all school buildings will be open for pupils to wait inside out of the extreme weather conditions.

## SCHOOL CLOSED

- A notice will be posted on the school website – [www.healing-school.co.uk](http://www.healing-school.co.uk) by 07.15hrs or as soon as possible thereafter
- Lincs FM (102.2\DAB) and BBC Radio Humberside (95.9\DAB) will generally broadcast details of any school closures so please tune in. (Please note: - Radio Stations are inundated with calls at peak times and will only accept school closure notices. They will not broadcast the list of schools that are OPEN during extreme weather conditions)
- Text messages will be sent to all parents who gave us an up to date mobile phone number (please note – it can take some time for a message to be delivered!)
- The school will also post messages and updates on our social media platforms, Facebook and Twitter.
- Please try to avoid phoning the school as this simply blocks the lines for all other incoming and outgoing calls
- Regular check the website/Social Media and radio stations throughout the day/period for the latest up to date information

## EARLY CLOSURE

- If the school has to close early, it is unlikely that pupils will be sent home before lunch. Pupils who walk or cycle will be allowed to leave providing they can gain access to their home. Pupils who travel by bus or car or who cannot gain access to home will remain on site and be supervised until they can journey home safely.

## FINALLY

Although decisions will need to be taken that are specific to the circumstances, the health, safety and welfare of the pupils will always be the priority.