

Advice For Parents/Carers on School Closure due to Adverse Weather Conditions

We aim to be open to pupils for 190 days per year. However, during periods of severe weather or other emergency situations, there may be a need to close the schools. The decision to close is only taken when the safety or welfare of the pupils during their time at school or travelling to and from school is likely to be adversely affected by inclement weather or other issues.

Closure notices will appear in the following places:

- County Council: www.northumberland.gov.uk
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/nccalerts
- Twitter: www.twitter.com/northumberlands
- Schools' websites: www.bothalprimary.co.uk / www.centralprimary.co.uk
- Schools' Facebook: @bothalprimaryschool / @ashingtoncentralprimaryschool
- Schools' twitter: @ALP_Trust

Announcements will be made on the following radio stations:

- BCC Radio Newcastle 95.4fm
- Real Radio 100 to 102fm and Radio Border 102.3fm

In extreme cases the schools may have to close during the day due to severe weather, or other emergency, and your child could be sent home early. We will:

- Contact parents to collect their child/children by sending a text message.
- Keep parents updated via ALP social media and the Northumberland website.

We ask that parents **do not telephone** the schools during these periods, as this will block the lines for outgoing calls we may need to undertake.

The schools' email addresses are bps@alptrust.co.uk and cps@alptrust.co.uk should you need to send a message.

Please follow us on Facebook so that you get the posts as soon as possible.