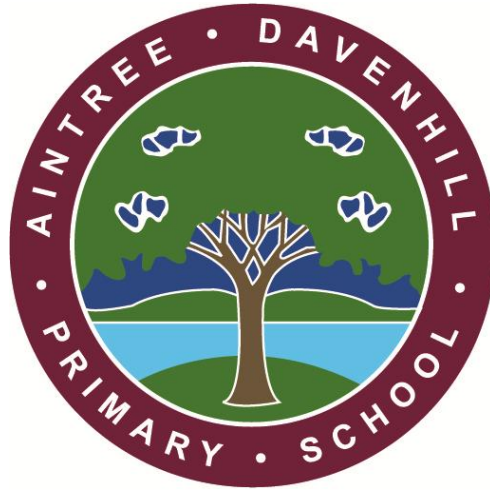


Aintree Davenhill Primary School



Management Plan for Snow/Ice Conditions

Approved by the Headteacher
October 2025

Emergency Management Plan – Snow/Icy Conditions

Before the start of the school day (by 7.30am if possible) the Head will decide whether it is safe to open the school. Her Risk Assessment will consider:

1. the state of pathways and slopes around the school
2. the condition of roads and paths in the local area
3. if the school's heating, lighting and water systems are working correctly
4. the Met Office weather forecast and warnings
5. the number of staff able to make it into school and staff welfare

If the school is to close the Head will

1. inform parents via Class Dojo, the school website and Facebook
2. inform the LA on 0151 934 3351 and Governors
3. if possible record a message and leave on the answerphone
4. if possible put a notice in the main entrance
5. use the staff emergency WhatsApp to inform them of any closures
6. provide remote learning for children

Procedures for dealing with snow/icy conditions

We will

- endeavour to remain open – the main contact for conditions in the local area will be Mr Ellis.
- identify which staff are unlikely to be able to get to school in adverse weather conditions
- keep a reasonable stock of grit and grit the main paths and car park only in order to conserve stocks
- restrict entry to one main entrance if necessary
- record pupil absence as C (authorised absence) if we believe that the child's absence is due to being unable to get to school
- record pupil absence as Y if the school is closed (unavoidable closure)
- cancel breakfast and after school clubs

Parents should

- look at the school website (www.aintreedavenhill.net), check Class Dojo and Facebook. The school will use all of these to publish its decision to close. If there is no information this means that the school will be open.
- try to avoid ringing the school. Staff may be very busy.
- remember that breakfast clubs and after school clubs will be cancelled in adverse weather conditions
- not worry about arriving late. There will be no late marks in operation on these occasions.

If we decide that it is safe to open, children should not arrive before 9:30am (this is because staff may be delayed travelling to school).

If the school closes pupils have access to remote learning via Class Dojo and Google Meet.

During the school day

Should the Head decide it is necessary to close the school during the day, parents will be contacted via Class Dojo or telephone to collect their child. Children will be kept safe in school until parents can collect them. If parents are delayed due to the adverse weather conditions, they should contact the school as soon as possible to give an anticipated arrival time.

Parents must consider their own safety, traffic congestion and safety of others in these circumstances.