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Dear Parents and Carers,

Snow closure and World Book Day

Many of you have visited our blog: www.plaistowandkirdford.org/blog/ over the last few days to read about what we would be doing as a school in the event of a school closure.

Over the next two days more snow is forecast to fall over Plaistow as well as the communities where our teaching staff live. This may mean that we need to close the school if staff are unable to travel to work safely or we can't guarantee the safety of the children getting to or from school.

It is our intention to open tomorrow. If we do decide to close school tomorrow, we will notify families via text message and email. We will also update the school website. If you do not hear from us please assume that school is open.

There may be issues with school transport. If there are difficulties with buses we will attempt to notify parents as and when we get information.

As the current forecast stands, weather conditions are likely to get worse as the day progresses. Please can all families make sure that if they bring their child to school in the morning, that they have the capacity to collect them during the day if we need to close early or at the end of the day if the buses aren't able to run.

In the event that we do close tomorrow, we will also be closed on Friday. This is because conditions are not likely to have improved and in some instances become worse and we want to ensure families, children and staff are safe.

If we do open tomorrow, we will be proceeding with our World Book Day celebrations. Dressing up as a character is still optional – we do ask that all children come to school dressed appropriately so that they can go out to play and remain comfortable and warm. Forest School activities will be continuing in some form as usual, Mrs Jesse has asked me to remind children to bring plenty of layers and that there's no such thing as bad weather, just bad clothing (especially base layers, i.e. extra vest/t-shirt, extra fleece, extra leggings, hats and gloves)!

Yours sincerely,

Mr King

