



# DELCE ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Severe Weather Arrangements – 2019 Information

We will always attempt to keep Delce Academy open if at all possible when there is severe weather. We understand that you have commitments too.

When deciding whether to open or close, we need to consider:

- If we can clear a safe path to access the building,
- if enough staff can get to the school to supervise the children safely (it may not be possible to deliver the normal curriculum in some circumstances),
- if we have water and heat,
- if we can provide a midday meal or, get messages to you in time for you to provide packed lunches.

We also speak with both Crest Infants and St Peter's Infants so that a community wide decision can be made.

It may be that:

- we open for just part of the day,
- we close completely,
- we decide to close early and need you to organise collecting your children,
- we are open but there are special arrangements, e.g. packed lunches are necessary as no meals are available.

**We will make our decision as early as possible in the morning and will communicate with you in the following ways:**

1) Through **Schoolcomms** – please ensure our records are up to date if you have recently changed mobile contact details, just call in and let us have your new number. **This is our quickest and best way of getting text messages to you, so please look out for them during severe weather and make these your first port of call for information.**

2) With an announcement on [www.kentclosures.co.uk/](http://www.kentclosures.co.uk/)

All schools in Kent will update this site if a closure is needed.

3) Listen to KMFM, BBC Kent Radio or Heart FM and/or use their websites; who will provide updates.

Kind regards,

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