

Dear Parents/Carers,

26th February 2018

RE: SNOW!

I am hoping that by writing to you regarding the prospect of snow falling at any point from now on that I will bring on an early mild, sunny Spring! However, I thought it best to set out our procedures just in case we do see large quantities of 'the white stuff' - which seems to potentially be on the cards for this week!

If an amount of snow falls during the night which makes it impossible/ dangerous for members of staff who travel to school - or those of you who need to bring your children to school by car - then I will make a decision as early as possible, usually by 7.00am to close the school. There may be occasions when snowfall starts at the beginning of the day, in which case the message may be later. **The first action will be to text you all to let you know of the closure.** For this reason I would ask that you **complete and return** the attached slip so that we can check the **mobile number** that we hold for you in order that you receive any messages sent. We will then keep you updated via further texts and the school website www.towerhill.hants.sch.uk later each afternoon/evening about the plans for the following day.

You can access the Hampshire County Council School Closure link at:

<http://www.hants.gov.uk/schoolclosures> Also listen on the radio on '96.4 The Eagle'.

As the weather does become more wintery (and by that I also include wet!), I would ask that children **bring a change of footwear to school**, ideally coming in Wellingtons or boots but **bring their school shoes for indoors on those days**. Please also ensure that your child **wears a warm coat** - and gloves, hats etc as necessary for conditions.

Any decision by myself and Owen Gardner, Chair of Governors, to close the school for snow/icy conditions, will be made with the safety of everyone - including the staff - travelling to school considered as paramount and I sincerely apologise for any inconvenience that it might cause in advance.

Let's hope none of this is necessary and we will do all we can to keep any disruption to the children's learning - and you - to an absolute minimum but there may be occasions when the situation is unavoidable. Let's keep everything crossed for snow only at weekends!

Keep Warm!

Mrs. Linda Tansley
Headteacher

To : Tower Hill Primary School, Fowler Road, Farnborough GU14 0BW

My child is _____ in Year _____ Class Name _____

My **main** mobile number for receiving text messages from school is: _____

Signed _____ Date: _____