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Dear Parent/Carer

Emergency School Closure – Severe Weather Conditions

Throughout the year circumstances may arise which necessitate the school to be closed. This is usually before the day starts and is normally caused by bad weather.

- **Closure before the start of the school day**

Should we decide to close the school before the school day starts the procedure for informing you of this is as follows:

- Using our Groupcall text messaging system
- Via our website www.breadalbane.pkc.sch.uk
- Via Heartland Radio and Radio Tay
- Via Perth & Kinross Council Customer Service Centre 01738 475000
(Available from 08.45 hours to 17.00 hours. However, this line may operate from 07.00 hours in exceptional circumstances)

We will update you later that day, or at the latest, the following morning as to whether the school will be staying closed or will be re-opening. There may be occasions where the school can be opened to local children, and we will inform you of this using the systems mentioned above.

- **Closure during the school day**

Should it be necessary to close the school during school hours, we will arrange for pupils receiving school transport to depart as a priority and contact all parents/carers before releasing children from school either by Groupcall text or by telephone.

It is essential that the school office has a current phone number (preferably a mobile phone number) to allow us to contact you. If your contact details have recently changed, please update your contact details via your Parents Portal account.

You will also be able to keep track of any announcements that may be made regarding school closures by using any of the sources on the list above. Please keep this letter handy for future reference.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J Devine'.

John Devine
Headteacher



Severe Weather Arrangements

Useful Contact Numbers

Contact Information for Parents

Please note announcements of school closures will be made as soon as possible following receipt of information from schools advising of a closure.

Service	Contact Details	When Used	Other Comments
Radio Tay Am	Not applicable	All Instances	Frequency AM 1584 and 1161
Radio Tay Fm	Not applicable	All Instances	FM 96.4 and 102.8
PKC Customer Service Centre – Number for Parents	01738 475000 (main Council line)	All Instances	Available from 08:45 hours to 17:00 hours. Out of hours numbers are available at www.pkc.gov.uk/contactus
PKC website	www.pkc.gov.uk	All Instances	Parents/Carers can find closure updates on the Perth and Kinross Council website by logging onto www.pkc.gov.uk where closures will be flagged up on the Home page, or alternatively access the information on www.pkc.gov.uk/Schoolclosures
PKC Twitter and Facebook	www.pkc.gov.uk	All Instances	
Radio Heartland	Not applicable	Widespread weather conditions	FM 97.5 in Highland Perthshire and online at www.heartland.scot
Radio Central	Not applicable	Widespread weather conditions	FM 103.1 Used if schools closed are within an area known not to receive Radio Tay signal