



Sunday 4th March 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

INITIAL DISRUPTION TO THE SCHOOL DAY – MONDAY 5TH MARCH 2018

The 'Beast from the East' is beginning to give way to 'The Great Thaw'. Another inspection of our site today shows that whilst some thawing has begun there is still a vast amount of snow on the site and across the car parks in particular. Nevertheless, internal pathways are clear and therefore we will be able to open tomorrow, albeit slightly later than normal.

School will begin at 9:45am for all students on Monday 5th March 2018. Students should continue to go straight to their form rooms and will have a 15 minute registration before Period 2 commences at 10:00am. The remainder of the day will be normal and school will therefore finish at 3:30pm. **There will be no after school clubs or detentions on Monday afternoon.**

In order to ensure your children are safe and well throughout another very cold (and wet) day we ask the following:

- Please ensure your children wear suitable footwear and coats / hats to school. Too often we have seen students arriving cold, wet and very uncomfortable. We suggest that students bring a spare pair of shoes or trainers to wear during school hours so that they can remain dry and comfortable at all times. Wellies are best to walk to and from school and whilst we do not mind students wearing trainers tomorrow, they offer less protection from the melting snow than leather shoes...
- First break and both split lunchtimes will be indoors and fully supervised. Middle and Upper School students will have first access to the dining room at first break (11:00 – 11:30am).
- Years 7, 8 and 9 will remain in the Sports Hall during first break and lunchtime.
- Years 10 and 11 will remain in The Learning Hub, East Gym or under the canopy.
- All lessons will continue as normal but please expect disruption to outdoor PE lessons.

My colleagues and I will be in as normal and therefore you may contact us from 8:00am if you have any questions. The dining room will be open as normal and will of course welcome any and all early arrivals!

There is no reason at all to think that there will be further closures or disruption, but should this ever occur then we will of course contact you via Parent Mail and on our website.

Please enjoy the rest of your weekend safe in the knowledge that spring is definitely on the way!

Yours sincerely,

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