

Emergency Procedure Policy of closure of pre-school

Statement of intent

The following procedure should be followed if a situation occurs which requires the pre-school to be closed at short notice.

Situations may be -

- Weather conditions do not permit pre school to open
- Emergency services enforce closure due to safety issues ie gas leak, burst pipes, flood etc
- Brenchley & Matfield CofE Primary School suggest closure due to no electricity, heating, water supplies etc
- Staffing issues do not permit pre-school to open.
- Pandemic Flu or other outbreaks of infectious diseases
- Partial or Full Lockdown

Aims

To ensure that all parents/carers and staff are notified accordingly.

Methods

Preliminary

Manager to decide closure and discuss with Health & Safety Officer, and Committee Chair, also negotiate or liaise with Primary School

If known, prior to date

Issue notice to parents/carers of expected date of closure and advise them to listen to the following radio stations for further information.

Severe Weather Policy to be sent out to parents prior to winter months.

Contact

Parents can register with KCC to get Closure alerts https://www.kentclosures.co.uk/

Parents and Carers to be contacted by

- Email
- Tapestry
- Facebook
- Telephone
- KCC School Closures

Staff & students by telephone as soon as possible

Fees -

• Due to our charitable status fees will not be refunded if the Pre-school has to close for any of the reasons specified in this policy.

| Who is responsible | Who to contact | What for |
|--------------------|---|--|
| Manager | Health & Safety Officer | Telephone/Email/Tapestry to advise Closure |
| Manager | Deputy, Chair of Committee Staff & students | Telephone/Email/Tapestry to advise Closure |
| Manager | Parent/carers | Issue written notice of closure, if applicable |
| Manager | Parents/carers | Telephone/Email/Tapestry to advise Closure |
| Manager/Deputy | KCC School Closures | Announcement |

This Policy was reviewed at a Management Meeting held on 1st^h September 2023.

Mrs Victoria Relle - Chairman of Brenchley Pre-School Limited