

1st March 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

Update for Friday 2nd March 2018

Further to my recent letters regarding the adverse weather conditions, I am writing with an update for tomorrow.

There is a Met office forecast of heavier snow this afternoon for East London and then of ice overnight with possible further snow and ice tomorrow. In view of this, we will be partially closed again tomorrow. This is because of the unpredictability of transport for students and staff under these conditions combined with weather warnings about travel. In addition, our outdoor play and circulation space has become dangerous due to ice we have been unable to clear and is out of bounds.

Nevertheless, in these circumstances, it is important to ensure that as far as possible learning continues for students studying their GCSEs and A' levels and so (as today) we will teach all exam classes and to run intervention for Year 11 during their PE lessons tomorrow.

The academy will be open tomorrow for Year 10, Year 11 and Sixth Form students only.

The snow is predicted to be heavier in the afternoon tomorrow and so again, we will be sending students home at 2.30pm.

With regard to World Book Day, we have cancelled these activities for this week. They will be reorganised for another week. We still intend to run the dressing up day at a future point.

I appreciate that this is not ideal; we would be fully open if I felt that the health and safety issues for students permitted this. However, I would like to thank you for helping us to manage a very unpredictable weather situation whilst keeping both health and safety and learning a priority.

We will keep you updated for Monday via our website – although we anticipate the weather conditions will have settled by then and that we will be operating as normal. However, please do check.

Yours sincerely

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