



What to do if the academy experiences bad weather

We would like to remind parents and carers about the academy arrangements in the event of poor weather. Unfortunately, due to the location of the academy, we do tend to experience the worst of the weather and student safety is always our priority, particularly when we experience snow and ice.

We will endeavour to remain open during inclement weather and closing the academy would be a very last resort, therefore all students are expected to attend unless information from any of the means below confirms otherwise. However, if conditions make the academy site unsafe for our students and staff, then we may need to close and parents will be informed by the following channels of communication:

- Via regular updates on the academy's website home page. (<https://sowerby.trinitymat.org/>)
- By text message. Please remember to update us if you change your mobile number so that all text messages reach you.
- Calderdale Council's school closures web page, but please note that due to demand this can sometimes become unavailable.
- Local radio stations are also updated as early as possible.

At times the decision to close the academy could be a result of advice from the bus companies who, if they considered it to be dangerous, would need to stop the buses running; again this will be avoided if at all possible. Information regarding this will also be available and updated on the academy website.

What to wear in poor weather conditions

We are aware that weather conditions can also change rapidly, and we would like to remind all parents and students about the importance of arriving in sensible walking shoes/boots (if required) with a coat that is appropriate for the weather conditions. These items should not conflict with our uniform policy and students must be ready for their first lesson in the correct uniform.

If you would like to read more about our uniform policy you can view further information, including contact details for our uniform suppliers, by visiting <https://sowerby.trinitymat.org/> and selecting 'Key Information, Uniform' from the menu.