



School Closure Policy

- Governors are kept informed of pertinent legislation changes and ISI updates through the Staffing sub Committee reports.
- Staff are kept informed of pertinent legislation changes and ISI updates during weekly briefing.

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See also - <u>Attendance Policy</u>	



Runnymede St Edward's School: Mission Statement

'Inspire, Challenge, Support through Faith'

Children's Mission:

Into your hands Lord, we put each day
all that we do and all that we say

Child Protection Statement:

Runnymede St Edward's School is committed to safeguarding children and promoting children's welfare and expects all staff, governors, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment and maintain a vigilant and safe environment. Everyone has a responsibility to act without delay to protect children by reporting anything that might suggest a child is being abused or neglected. It is our willingness to work safely and challenge inappropriate behaviours that underpins this commitment. The school seeks to work in partnership with families and other agencies to improve the outcomes for children who are vulnerable or in need.

Runnymede St Edward's School follows guidelines laid down by the **Liverpool Safeguarding Children Board** (LSCB: www.liverpoolscb.org 2015) and **Keeping Children Safe in Education** (www.gov.uk 2015)

School Aims:

Faith

To encourage and foster the spiritual growth of all and to make prayer an integral and enjoyable experience in our daily life.

Individual Opportunities for Learning and Growth

To provide experiences that broaden, enrich and extend the skills, talents and values of each member of the school community. We are an inclusive school and pupils with additional needs or for whom English is an additional Language are fully supported to enable them to achieve their potential.

Relationships

To provide a safe, caring and welcoming environment within which all are treated with respect, courtesy and kindness. Runnymede St Edward's School upholds British values and encourages respect for all.

School and Wider Community

To foster a spirit of co-operation and friendship between home, school and the wider community.

Runnymede St Edward's School is built on the tradition of our founders, the Congregation of Christian Brothers. Based on their vision, Runnymede is a place in which individuals can develop fully, contributing as happy and caring members of a school community. Children's unique talents are valued, and they learn to live as well-mannered, self-disciplined and confident individuals.

For a detailed School Mission Statement please refer to the Mission Statement page of our website



1 School Closure Planning

1.1 Actions taken in case of closure

In the event of the school having to close due to adverse weather conditions or emergency, the following action will be taken:

- As soon as the Head Teacher is informed, the Head Teacher or member of the Senior Management Team (SMT) will endeavour to:
 - contact the local radio station – Radio City and ask for an announcement to be made as soon as possible.
 - The Head Teacher’s PA will inform each parent/guardian via ‘Parentmail’.
 - The ICT co-ordinator/member of SMT will place a message on the School website and twitter.
 - An appropriate message will also be put on the School’s out-of-hours line on the answer phone.

1.2 Parent/Guardians Actions

- Parents/Guardians are asked to either:
 - Check their phone messages
 - Check the school website
 - Check announcements on the phone
 - Listen to Radio City especially if the weather is inclement.
- Parents are asked to take great care travelling to school as the roads in Sandfield Park are not gritted by the council.
- Please ensure that the school is open before dropping off your child/children
- Note that all teaching staff have journeys to make and may not be able to get to the school.

B. Slater - Headteacher

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