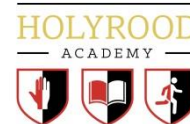


Holyrood Academy – Emergency Closure Arrangements



Information for parents/carers

These are the procedures we use in cases of emergency Academy closure. They are drawn up to ensure the students' safety. You will be told that the Academy is to be closed:

1. by letter taken home by students at the end of the previous day (if we know in advance)
2. via the Academy website – www.holyroodacademy.com at 7.00am. Please do not look before then, to avoid the website crashing.
3. by text message/e-mail
4. via social media eg Twitter

Local radio stations will also transmit information (Heart FM and BBC Somerset)

News of the Academy's re-opening will be broadcast as above and on the Academy website

IF YOU DO NOT HEAR ANYTHING BY EITHER LETTER, MEDIA, TEXT MESSAGE OR ON THE WEBSITE PLEASE ASSUME THAT THE ACADEMY IS OPEN AS NORMAL

If it is necessary to close the Academy early in the day, County transport will be rearranged to deliver students home at the earlier time.

Please make arrangements for your child to be able to gain access to your home if, in an emergency, they arrive home early. If access to your home is not possible, can you arrange for them to go to a neighbour's home?

If your child is not able to gain access to your home, or that of a neighbour, arrangements will be made at the Academy to look after him / her until we can contact you.

In bad weather conditions, many parents / carers and staff phone into the Academy. Please be patient, we will answer your call as soon as we can. We hope we do not need to close the Academy this winter, but if we do, the above arrangements will help make the closure smooth and safe for your child

Information from School Transport re: Adverse weather

Parents / Carers can check on School Transport arrangements during periods of adverse weather by visiting the following website:

www.somerset.gov.uk/badweathertransport

The routes held on the **Weather affected routes - School Transport** on the webpage are those vehicles with 16 seats or more.

School/Academy closure information from the **Somerset Learning Platform** is at:

<https://slp.somerset.org.uk/Lists/Emergency%20School%20Closures%20Today/ClosedToday.aspx>