



ULVERSTON VICTORIA HIGH SCHOOL



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An exceptional school at the heart of the community

Dear Parents and Carers

As you may be aware the Met Office has issued an amber severe weather warning for our area due to Storm Éowyn, which is expected to impact our local conditions tomorrow. At the present time, school is open tomorrow and bus services are scheduled to run as usual. However, there is disruption to rail services.

The safety and wellbeing of our pupils and staff remain our paramount concern. In light of this weather warning, it is important for parents to make informed decisions regarding the safe travel of your child to and from school. We understand that local road conditions and the availability of childcare are essential factors to consider.

Should the weather conditions escalate, we may face several challenges that could lead us to consider a school closure. Some of these factors include:

- there are enough members of staff to be able to provide sufficient teaching
- the severity of the weather conditions is on such a major scale that it is unlikely that many people will be able, physically, to make it into school
- the school grounds are sufficiently safe for children, parents and staff
- the school can provide lunch for the children
- the school has sufficient heating
- the school has lighting and water across the site
- the bus companies able to provide services
- the car park is safe to use
- external agencies, e.g. police, local government, motoring organisations, etc, are advising against school travel in our region.

In light of these considerations, we may have to enact our enforced school closure protocols: [Ulverston Victoria High School - Adverse Weather and Emergency Closures](#). Should this situation arise, we will make every effort to communicate this decision promptly by Friday morning. Please check your email and the school website for updates.

I encourage you to have discussions at home about the safety reminders we are sharing with pupils and staff which are attached to this letter. Additionally, please ensure that you have emergency plans in place so that your family is safe.

Thank you for your understanding and support. We appreciate your cooperation in ensuring the safety of everyone in our school community.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Hardwick