



Headteacher: Mr H Kutty BA Hons

1<sup>st</sup> November 2023

Dear Parent, Carer, Guardian,

School Closure - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> of November.

I write as a follow up to my previous letter regarding Storm Ciaran. Following meetings held by the Local Authority this afternoon with key public and emergency services, we have been advised, as have all schools in Southampton, to stay closed for tomorrow. This is the latest information that has been made available:

*"A major incident has been declared by The Hampshire & IOW Resilience forum from midnight tonight to support preparations for the impact of Storm Ciarán. With very strong winds of up to 80mph expected in coastal areas on the island and across the south of the mainland area from tonight through to Thursday, there is a risk of damage to buildings and falling trees leading to a potential risk to life."*

As such, we have taken the difficult decision to **close the school to all students and staff on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> of November.**

Work will be available for students to complete on Google Classroom. As you can imagine, due to the timing of this decision, work will be being placed onto the virtual classrooms through the rest of the day and into tomorrow. Students should not assume that just because work is not present this evening that there will not be any available tomorrow.

It is always a difficult decision to close our school, particularly after the COVID-19 pandemic, but your child's safety is my paramount concern and with the latest advice from the Local Authority, we simply could not afford not to take appropriate action.

Please look after yourselves and your families through this adverse weather and we look forward to welcoming the Cantell family back on Friday.

Yours faithfully

Harry Kutty  
Headteacher

