

5th December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Due to the extremely heavy rain over the past few days the river at the back of our school site has encroached past our boundary fence onto our grounds. This does happen frequently with heavy rain, normally delayed by a few days following this weather, however it is rarely this significant. The river is continuing to rise and probably will do for the next twenty four hours.

The flood water is approaching the limit of our boundary fence at points meaning that the boundary between the flood water and the river may soon be unable to be clearly identified. Additionally three of our four lifebuoys are already submerged in the river water. This is therefore close to the threshold identified in our river risk assessment when we need to close the school site – that is where the boundary fence cannot be completely identified. In these circumstances we have to move to remote learning on Google classroom and your child's teachers will provide education as scheduled.

In view of the above, we may have to close the school tomorrow, Wednesday 6th December 2023. A decision will be made at 6.15am in the morning (6th December) and we will contact you via SMS text to advise school will be closed to pupils.

With regard to Parents/Carers evening appointments, school will be open for these as arranged, however parents and carers will be responsible for any children attending while on the school site. If you prefer, please telephone and we will arrange a virtual appointment instead.

If you do not receive a text in the morning, please assume that school is open as usual.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Yours sincerely



Antonia Jackson
Headteacher