



Emergency Closure Procedures 2024/25

The Headteacher will make a decision to close the school if there is a risk to the Health and Safety of the members of the school community. We will always try to give as much advanced notice as possible depending on the circumstances.

Methods of notifying parents

1. Up-to-date information will be posted on the school's website: www.mcauley.org.uk
2. SMS text/email sent to parents/carers using the contact details they supplied
3. Trax FM and Radio Sheffield will be informed

Emergency Closure - during the school day

We will use schoolcomms to inform parents/carers. **It is essential that you inform us of any changes to your contact details. Please advise us if you change any contact names, phone numbers or email addresses.**

We also suggest that students ensure that their mobile phones have sufficient credit and charge so that they can contact you once they have left school. It would also be a good idea to discuss plans in advance with your child if the school closed, advising them what to do, e.g. to go straight home or to go to a relative's house.

If you have a genuine concern that travelling to school may pose a significant risk to the Health and Safety of your child or could have an impact on them being able to get back home, it is permissible to inform school that you will be keeping them at home. Students are encouraged to check emails and TEAMs for any work.

It is a parent's responsibility to know how their child is getting home in the event of an emergency closure.

By signing the Learning Agreement, you are confirming that you have discussed and agreed a plan of action with regards transport home in the event of emergency closure. Please contact the Sixth Form if you wish to discuss other arrangements.