

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you have all had a pleasant break over the half term.

I have some important information to share with you. You may already know that the school suffered some damage during the storms last week. The damage is significant and is to the gable end of the building which is near to the church. This will mean we have to close off a small section of the school building and move some classes into different classrooms - we may also need to make changes to where KS1 children play on the yard. These arrangements will have a significant impact on **how** we do things, but not on **how well** we do things – we will ensure that your child's education will not be disrupted.

The only entrance into school is from Ann Street, and all pupils should go to their usual lining up/entry points into school – school staff will be on hand to help and direct you.

Whilst on the school grounds, please follow any signage directing you away from the affected areas the buildings.

I can assure you that all pupils will be safe and well looked after whilst repair works are underway – we will have a whole school assembly on Monday morning so that we can discuss safety measures with the children.

The school office is part of the area that will be sealed off, and so there will be no access to the school office entrance – if you need to speak to Mrs Malik or Mrs Wren, please telephone the school number. If a face-to-face meeting with a member of staff is absolutely necessary, this must first be arranged by telephone before you come into school.

We will not know the extent of the damage, nor how long it will take to repair, until we hear from the structural engineers who inspected the school last week. SDA Chartered Surveyors have been appointed by Salford diocese to manage the repair work; they are working very closely with the structural engineers to make sure the repairs happen as quickly as possible.

I realise that this will be a shock for everyone, but we can count our blessings that it happened when the building was empty for half-term - we will be praying that the repair works happen as quickly as possible. We look forward to returning to normal as soon as we can, InshAllah

Yours sincerely

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