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Re: Delayed Start

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are committed to ensuring Beacon Hill Academy remains open to all year groups despite the snow. The local authority has worked closely with us to ensure High Arcal Drive is gritted and safe for use. Our dedicated grounds team is onsite this morning, working diligently to keep all pathways clear and accessible. Additionally, current forecasts suggest that the snowfall will ease later this morning.

After two weeks off from school, we recognise how important it is for your child to return and get back into a positive school routine. The measures we have put in place ensure your child can safely attend school and immediately re-engage with their learning.

However, we strongly recommend allowing extra travel time and suggest avoiding dropping learners off directly outside the school. Instead, please consider dropping them off on the main road, encouraging them to walk safely to school.

Below are the measures the school is implementing to support safe travel:

Delayed Start:

The school day will begin later to allow extra time for journeys. Registration will run from **9:45 to 10:10**, with lessons starting promptly at 10:10.

Footwear and Clothing:

Learners are encouraged to dress warmly and wear footwear with good grip. The school will permit walking boots or trainers. If they opt to wear wellies, please ensure they bring a change of indoor shoes.

Additional layers may be worn under their uniform to stay warm, and all-black v-neck jumpers may be worn under blazers (but not as a replacement for blazers). Please note that hoodies are not permitted.

Travel Safety:

Please remind your child to take extra care while travelling to school, particularly on icy pathways and roads. We recommend allowing extra time for journeys to ensure their safety.

Indoor Spaces:

Additional indoor spaces will be available during break and lunchtime to ensure learners can



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stay warm and comfortable.

Snowballing:

For everyone's safety, snowballing is not permitted on school premises. We also ask that learners refrain from snowballing outside of school, particularly near traffic, as it can pose a significant safety risk. Additionally, we encourage learners to be mindful of others, including young children and the elderly, and to demonstrate respect and care for the community.

We will continue to monitor conditions closely and will notify you of any unexpected changes via Weduc and the school website.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding as we work to minimise disruption while prioritising the safety of our learners.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Dhami

Principal

