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Dear Parent /Carer

As you are aware we have been preparing for the winter weather which is quickly descending upon us!

As a result of Lancashire County Councils guidance and policy on gritting, we will try and minimise the potential risks during adverse weather conditions to those who come into our buildings and attend the service. Whilst wearing appropriate footwear and clothing will reduce some of the risks, we wanted to make you aware of the planned gritting procedures we will put into place.

As you can appreciate we will do our utmost to clear and maintain a pathway into the main entrance of the buildings as staff are available, however as the weather can deteriorate quickly at times this may not always be possible immediately.

In icy conditions we will aim to grit pathways, to the main entrances and from all fire exits and evacuation points.

As the snow clearing and gritting will be carried out by the staff team I am sure you will understand why we will be unable to clear the car park area as we need to prioritise key areas whilst still providing support to the people who use our service.

Please exercise caution when driving and accessing the building during adverse weather, especially if there are icy conditions as the area surrounding the building can be hazardous as ice tends to remain on the paths and roads for long periods.

If you are pulling up outside the building please be vigilant as the area will become congested during busy periods when people arrive / leave the building, and vehicles may need to wait a few moments until there is space to safely access the area.

For people who normally use the car park, please be aware the area can be difficult to negotiate during snow / icy conditions as the section that slopes is deceptively steep! In extreme circumstances we will close the carpark if it is deemed unsafe, due to the conditions.

We appreciate your patience in this matter, and we will endeavour to keep disruption to a minimum. Please keep to the designated path wherever possible, and be aware of the potential for unidentified icy patches.

If you have any concerns or wish to discuss the plans we have in place, please contact me or a member of the team and we will be happy to help.

Yours faithfully

J. Holmes
Headteacher / Head of Centre