**LPW Independent School**

**Severe Weather Conditions Policy**

**September 2019**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Author/Contact: | D Carter |
| Document Path & Filename: |  |
| Document Reference: |  |
| Version: |  |
| Status: |  |
| Publication Date: | Sept 2019 |
| Related Policies: |  |
| Review Date: | August 2020 |
| Approved/Ratified by: |  |
| Distribution: | All teaching staff, governors |

**CODE OF PRACTICE FOR EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS**

It is very unlikely that LPW Independent School will ever have to close due to extreme weather conditions. We understand the importance of not interrupting our learners’ education and will endeavor to remain open unless we will it is not safe to do so. Parents/carers and students should assume that the school remains open unless they hear otherwise from the school.

However, in the event of severe weather conditions e.g. very heavy snow or flooding a decision on whether to close the school will be made by no later than 7.30 and the school will report to parents via:

1. Local Radio.
2. LPW Website – if staff can access the office to update this.
3. A call, text or email from one of our staff members.

Should heavy snow or extreme weather conditions during the school day necessitate an early finish, learners will make their own way home if possible. They will be given advice about how to do this safely and in a suitable way.

Policy updated: October 2014

Policy updated: 22/10/2015

Policy reviewed: 09/08/2016

Policy reviewed: 01/09/2017

Policy reviewed: 01/09/2018

Policy reviewed: September 2019

Policy to be reviewed: August 2020