

Sixpenny Handley First School

Emergency Closure of School

From time to time, especially in winter, situations arise in which it is necessary to close a school i.e. bad road conditions, failure of heating system, burst pipes etc. It may not always be possible to give you prior warning. If a decision is made to close the school, this information will be posted on our school website/Face Book and Twitter page. Please also listen to the radio (Heart FM, Wessex FM or Midwest) or check the Dorset for You website: <http://mapping.dorsetforyou.com/closedservices> where all Dorset school closures will be listed.

However, it would be useful if you keep us informed about emergency contacts and telephone numbers. Without up-to-date information, the school's ability to make the best and safest decisions for children is impaired.

Road Safety

The school has a designated car park situated on the opposite side of the road to the school. It can be accessed via the resident's car park. The small path leading to the road should be used to cross – please do not use the vehicle access. Please do not park on the yellow lines or in the allocated space for school transport outside the school. Please bring your child into the school. We would ask you to remember that care must be taken at all times when bringing and fetching your child to and from school.

School Transport

Transport is provided within the regulations of Dorset County Council.

- a) Free transport when the distance is over 2 miles (5-7 years).
- b) Free transport when the distance is over 3 miles (8-15 years).
- c) Concessionary transport when space is available on the school bus.

For full details, apply to the school.

There is no supervision on the buses. For the safety of all concerned, it is important that it is stressed to the children that they must behave in a sensible and responsible way. Seat belts must be worn.