

1 November 2023

Dear Parent/ Carer

Emergency School Closure

We have been tracking weather reports all day with regard to Storm Ciarán and the amber weather alert warning issued for tomorrow. Having considered all information currently available and consulted with Hampshire County Council, the decision has been made to close the school on Health and Safety grounds on Thursday 2 November 2023.

The current weather reports from the BBC and Met Office both predict extremely high winds in and around the Hamble area before school and during the day. This is likely to have an impact on public transport availability as well as making travelling to/from school more dangerous. There is also an increased risk to students and staff because of the number of trees we have on site. Southampton schools have been instructed to close and therefore given our proximity to the city and our peninsula location we believe this is the right decision.

Remote learning will be set on Class Charts by 8.00am tomorrow morning for all classes. If your son/ daughter requires support with this, please email classcharts@thehambleschool.co.uk

We have made this decision in a timely fashion to allow you to make child care arrangements where necessary. The safety of the school community is our first and foremost concern and, as you can appreciate, it is not easy to predict the weather. We thank you in advance for your support with this difficult decision and look forward to welcoming students back in school on Friday 3 November 2023.

Yours faithfully



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Headteacher



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If, at any time, you should require special arrangements to be made when visiting the school and/or in order to participate fully in supporting your child at school (e.g. an accessible venue for meetings, if you are a wheelchair user, assistance with translation of documents or enlarged copies of communications etc.), please do not hesitate to let us know.