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Ref: Heating Breakdown- School Closure

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Friday morning we discovered that the school heating system had failed completely. Unfortunately we have been unable to get an engineer to come until Monday.

During the course of Friday, despite the heaters we have purchased, the classrooms and building became progressively colder. As the academy will be unheated all weekend, in combination with the current weather and freezing temperatures, we have no option other than to close the building to staff and children on Monday.

I apologise profusely for the inconvenience this closure will undoubtedly cause, however, we have an obligation to provide a healthy and safe working environment for all of our children and staff, which under the current circumstances we are unable to do. The Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992 stipulate that during working hours, temperatures in workplaces (including schools) should be reasonable, in addition, the Education (School Premises) Regulations 1999 prescribe minimum standards for temperatures.

Monday events:

- Class 3 new teacher meeting- We will still hold the scheduled meeting to enable class 3 parents to meet the new teacher, Kit. Please come to reception.
- BMX sessions- we have postponed this activity, which will now take place on the 8th January.

We will update you on Monday, following the engineers visit.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joss Hayes".

Joss Hayes
Principal