Willerby Carr Lane

Primary School



Snow and Ice Procedure Information for Parents

The school will follow appropriate procedures to enable the safety of parents and children, as far as is reasonably practicable, in the event of snow and ice.

The school will:

- communicate with parents the appropriate access routes to use during bad weather.
- undertake immediate clearance of snow and ice in designated areas, as per the school gritting plan.
- grit pedestrian routes, as per gritting plan. These will include at the very least clearance or gritting of:
 - □ Area around car park staff gate and path to main reception
 - Access from Disabled Car Parking Space
 - Pathway from Carr Lane entrance to the first school gate
 - □ Key path areas to Out of School Club and main pupil entrances

Where resources are available minimal levels of gritting shall be carried out to the car park.

- temporary close access areas around the school that are not to be cleared or are lower down the gritting schedule, such areas will be clearly marked/taped off and gates locked.
- display appropriate signage to warn of slippery surface and impending dangers.
- notify when gritting is being undertaken through ensuring that appropriate signage is available when gritting is in progress.

Prioritisation of Routes

PATHS - to be made as clear as possible and will be prioritised as per gritting plan by use of colour coded clearance routes and numbered priority order – green indicates areas that will definitely be gritted, orange indicates areas that may be gritted if time and resources allow and red indicates areas that will not be gritted.

OTHER AREAS – access pathways should be cleared from parking spaces provided for the disabled, adjacent to premises entrances.

Fire exits should be kept clear of drifting snow

Method of Clearance

A pathway of at least one metre wide will be cleared; this will allow suitable access for pedestrians and pushchairs/wheelchairs. Snow and ice will be completely removed using a snow scraper or shovel, snow and ice will NOT be brushed, or dissolved using hot water, as this will make surfaces more hazardous. Once the path has been cleared rock salt will be used to assist in providing extra grip. Paths will be regularly checked throughout the day to ensure re-freezing or further snow coverage has not occurred.

General Rules

Pupils may throw snowballs so long as the snow is fresh and soft – not once it becomes icy. However, pupils must not throw snowballs at each other's faces or heads.

Ice structures which present a risk of climbing and injury will be removed before they become a potential hazard and ice slides are not allowed to be constructed.

Bellfield Drive

Willerby Carr Lane Primary School Site Gritting Plan

