



Adverse Weather

In the Event of School Closure

Cranbrook School is aware of the importance of not compromising the teaching and learning opportunities of all our students. Therefore, in the event of adverse weather there is a clear expectation that we will remain open while it is safe to do so. If our school does close, it will probably be because of heavy snow overnight, a MET office warning of winds/rain or cold conditions that have caused a deterioration in the road or site conditions, or a forecast of heavy snow during the day that would cause coaches to be cancelled and present other transport problems. It may also be due to very high temperatures and the exposure and likely associated impact to our students and staff in school.

In all scenarios, a careful risk assessment is always undertaken and the health and safety of all our students and staff will be a significant contributing factor as to whether our school should close, either fully or partially. There may be circumstances whereby the road conditions have improved but not the conditions of the site, or that we have a significantly reduced complement of staff able to get here safely, which may mean that we have to close to day students. We may decide to fully close to all students, or to open later to allow for an improvement in road and site conditions, or to close earlier due to unexpected weather. We may also partially open, giving priority to those students in their exam years. If examinations are due to take place on the day then the school will be open to allow the examinations to go ahead, unless there are exceptional circumstances that would not make this possible.

To our Boarding community, Boarding will continue as normal and all boarders will be informed of developments by their heads of House.

Students will be set homework and should access it through Satchel One or Microsoft Teams as usual. In the unlikely event of face to face learning not taking place, students will be set learning tasks representative of their usual in school timetable. Students should access tasks through Satchel One or Microsoft Teams as usual. Clear expectations on submitting tasks and pathways to resources will be detailed. All work for that day will be available by 10:00am and, where appropriate, assessed when students return. Further details can be found in Cranbrook's Remote Learning policy.

How would you know if Cranbrook were closed?

- Check on our [homepage](#). The website will be updated by 7:00am where possible.
- Check our Facebook page
- Check our Twitter feed,
- Check our Instagram account
- Check online on the [Kent County Council](#) website

Listen to Local Radio:

- Heart Kent 102.8 FM or 103.1 FM
- KMFM 96.2 FM or 101.6 FM
- BBC Radio Kent 96.7 or FM 104.2 FM
- BBC Sussex on 104.5 FM or 104.8 FM
- BBC Surrey on 104 FM or 104.6 FM
- Heart FM on 103.1FM (Maidstone area)
- These radio stations usually have a snow desk at quarter hour or half hour intervals that lists closed schools.

How would you know when Cranbrook would re-open?

Parents are asked to regularly check our website for the most up to date information.