

At Newstead Academy, we pride ourselves on the blended learning offer that we provide for our children to ensure their learning continues to progress, on the very rare occasion school is not open.

Snow and Adverse Weather Closures

In the event of heavy snowfall or other adverse weather we will endeavour, where possible, to keep our academy open. However, the safety of our pupils and staff is paramount and there are a range of different factors that will need to be considered, including:

- the number of staff that are able to make it to the academy,
- the school grounds, roads and walkways around school,
- local advice,
- food, heating and water systems.

In the event of a school closure due to the above, or any other unforeseen circumstances, we will aim to communicate with staff and parents as clearly and quickly as possible. Information about closures will also be shared on our social media platforms:

- Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/WATNewsteadAcademy/>
- Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/newsteadacademy/>

Other Academy Closures

If faced with any other closure of school, we will switch to remote learning as early as possible, in most cases this will be the same or next school day. Due to the needs and nature of our pupils we understand and recognise the challenges of encouraging them to engage with remote learning. We will work with our families on the nature of the learning opportunities made available to them. We will also monitor attendance closely whilst the school is closed.