

8<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you that the school will be closed tomorrow, **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January**, due to an **amber weather warning for heavy snow** associated with **Storm Goretti**.

An amber warning indicates a significant risk of disruption, including hazardous travel conditions and reduced safety on roads and footpaths. While we do not take the decision to close the school lightly, the safety of our students, families, and staff is our highest priority. This decision has therefore been made to minimise risk.

We have chosen to notify families this afternoon, rather than waiting until tomorrow morning, as many of our students travel considerable distances to reach the academy. Providing early notice helps to avoid unnecessary travel in unsafe conditions and allows families sufficient time to make appropriate arrangements.

As a digital school, we are well positioned to move learning online when required. **Learning will continue remotely during the closure**, with work set via **Microsoft Teams** for the subjects' students would normally have on the day of closure.

Class teachers will provide clear instructions through the **Assignments** or **Announcements** features on Microsoft Teams to support students in accessing and completing their work at home.

To log in to Microsoft Teams, students should:

- Visit: <https://teams.microsoft.com/>
- Enter their school email address (e.g. *john.smith@boa-digital.co.uk*)
- Enter their password

Families and students can also contact teachers and staff via the **MCAS app** should they require support or have any questions. Alternatively, the school can be contacted directly at [info@boa-digital.co.uk](mailto:info@boa-digital.co.uk).

At this stage, **we expect to be open as normal on Monday**, subject to weather conditions, and we will confirm this if there are any changes to this.

Telephone: 0121 359 9400

Email: [info@boa-digital.co.uk](mailto:info@boa-digital.co.uk)



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Please note that the planned lockdown drill scheduled for this Friday will now take place on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January.

We will continue to monitor the situation closely and will communicate any further updates as necessary.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Morris', is written in a cursive style.

Dr Jon Morris

**Principal**

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