# Educational and recreational visits

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Educational visits policyEaling Council guidance for school visits.Outdoor experiences provide young people with memorable learning opportunities that help develop independence, self-confidence, and responsibility. The guidance contained within...

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Why is this policy important?????Outdoor experiences provide young people with memorable learning opportunities that help develop independence, self-confidence, and responsibility. The guidance contained within this document will provide organisers...

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### Heatwaves

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Heatwave considerations for schoolsDisseminate the HSE check list for school staff to manage thermal comfort in the workplace. Manage premises and their use of fans to increase air flow, water coolers, and air conditioning units...

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### Severe weather

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Guidance for school closure decisionsThe guidance on this section is to assist in an appropriate decision-making process.We would want to ensure that closures are avoided and prevented and that if they take place they are absolutely necessary, are...

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#### Further action by school in event of closure decision

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It is a statutory requirement to inform the local authority, if you decide to close your school, e.g. due to severe weather conditions. Report any school closures to schools incidents desk: Mobile: 07940 546 263Email: dunhams@ealing.gov.ukAnd...

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### Who makes the decision to close

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The decision to close a school is made by the headteacherThe chair of governors and the LA should be informed as soon as possible.We would like to remind you that it is a statutory requirement to report any school closure to the LA, e.g. if you...

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# Anticipating weather conditions

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We advise you to check the Met Office websites daily (morning and afternoon) during the winter months, as weather conditions can rapidly change, so you are able to prepare your school in time for severe weather: weather forecast for London and the...

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# Don't forget to enter your school's closures into SIMS

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Don't forget to enter your school's closures into SIMSCode Y: Unable to attend due to exceptional circumstances. Apply this code where a pupil is unable to attend because: The school site, or part of it, is closed due to an unavoidable cause;...

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### Reasons to close a school

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Insufficient staff able to get in: This is likely to apply to teaching staff particularly who are less likely to be 'locals'Insufficient staff will cause difficulty with respect to staff:pupil ratios and the ability to safely manage the...

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# Developing a communication process with staff and parents

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Headteachers should aim by an appropriate time in the morning to have received notification from staff if they are unable to travel. Once a predetermined level of absence is reported this may trigger the need to close. Headteachers will also be...

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