

6th February 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to write to you after our decision to close the school on Friday 1st February. I am sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused and the day of education lost to your child/children.

There was thick ice on Hospital lane and, with the road being in such bad repair, there was significant risk of a transport accident.

The school had taken steps to ensure the road into school was accessible and the school's contracted grit and salt spreading company had prepared the road leading down to school and the car park. This area would have been accessible if transport could have gained access.

Hospital Lane is not owned by the school and despite our best efforts to establish who owns the road, and therefore who should repair the road, the school still does not have a named owner. The school therefore instructed our solicitors to pursue the issue in the autumn term.

The school has met with a number of Leeds City Council departments and two Leeds councillors to ascertain if the council would be willing to adopt Hospital Lane and make the much needed repairs to the road. Unfortunately these discussions to date have not led to any action from the council.

The school is now commencing with a student led campaign which includes a short film, power point presentations and letters, all prepared by the students, which will first be sent to leaders of the council and then maybe be released to the media. Specific permission from parents has been sought where students are identifiable in these campaign materials.

If you would like to support this campaign, then please send letters into school addressed To Whom It May Concern, and school will send these onto the owner or the council once ownership is clarified.

I thank you in advance for your patience and support regarding this matter.

Kind Regards,

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