



# Venerable Bede Church of England Academy

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Dear Parent / Carer

We would like to share a little more detail with you with regards to the storm damage to the school building over this weekend.

There are three main areas of concern which lead to the decision to close the school to pupils:

1. The roofing edge along the Bistro as it meets the sports hall has taken significant damage. This will need to be assessed and made safe before pupils can come back onto site. We are hoping that the damage is to the outer structure and not the roof covering the Bistro.
2. One of the air ducts / vents has blown off in the wind and landed in the inner courtyard. This might suggest that there was some structural damage to the facilities on the top of the roof. We will need to get the other structures on the roof checked out to make sure that they are safe.
3. There is quite a bit of debris strewn around the site which has the potential to be hazardous to pupils. This will need to be cleared away before we can allow them to access the school site.

Once we have carried out these checks and taken the appropriate action to make the roofline safe, we will be able to open the school as normal.

In the meantime, pupils will access lessons online in line with our remote learning protocols. We will re-send the guidance on this later today.

If you do have any queries, or need to ask for help, please use the e-forms found on the resources page of the school website ([CLICK HERE](#)), or the general enquiries form ([CLICK HERE](#)).

We will continue to keep you updated as soon as we have any further information, especially in respect of how long we are likely to remain closed. As I am sure you will understand, because it is the weekend, we have not been able to get in touch with any contractors. We are hoping that we will get a priority response on Monday morning.

Yours faithfully

*David Airey.*



Mr. D. Airey  
Headteacher



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