

Information for Parents/Guardians (i.e.school newsletter):

“Winter is Here!”

This notice is a reminder to parents/guardians that in the event of poor weather, poor road conditions or an unplanned event there may be a time when the school bus fails to arrive so please be prepared. Parents/Guardians need to have a plan for their children.

1. In poor weather/road conditions the school bus may be late (5 – 15 minutes) or may not arrive. Students should wait 20 minutes and if by then the bus has not arrived they should follow the plan laid out by their parents/guardians.
2. By 6:15am the Superintendent of Schools, Mr.Keven Elder informs area radio stations (e.g CFX, The Q, CBC Radio and The Ocean) that School District No. 63 schools **are closed and/or school buses are cancelled. NO ANNOUNCEMENT means schools and busing is open as usual.**
3. There may be a reason for students (i.e. poor weather, snow) to be dismissed early so parents/guardians should also be prepared with a plan for an early closing. Also, students need to dress appropriately for the weather because frostbite can occur without appropriate protection.

Rules:

Never throw snowballs, ice or snow at the bus. Cold snow and warm windows do not mix and if windows shatter, glass fragments may cause injuries. Do not encourage or provoke others to throw snowballs at the bus.

Safety Precautions:

1. Stay at least 2 meters from the bus. Buses, due to road conditions can slide as they are stopping. Stay well out of their way as well as out of the way of cars on the roadway. Cars may also fail to stop, slide or lose control. Look out for your own safety as well as for the safety of your friends.
2. Be on your best behavior aboard the bus and at the bus stop. Drivers have enough to handle with "road problems".
3. Be careful as you get off the bus. Due to slippery conditions get well clear of the bus and be carefull on sidewalks.