

## **Adverse Weather**

A note regarding what action to take during bad weather is distributed to all families in November. The following is important:

1. The decision as to whether a pupil should attempt to travel to school in adverse weather conditions, whether by transport or on foot, lies with the parents. While recognising that education should be interrupted as little as possible, the Education Authority accepts that in severe weather conditions the safety of the pupils is paramount.
2. During adverse weather conditions, the school would always try to maintain a normal service. If there was an occasion when the school was unable to open, due to overnight power failure and/or heating problems and bad road conditions, notice would be given in the morning on local radio and through the **CENTRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL TELEPHONE MESSAGING SERVICE**.

**MORAY FIRTH RADIO**      Normal hourly news bulletins will carry local information on weather, roads and conditions affecting schools. In severe conditions normal programmes will be interrupted to carry emergency bulletins.

Radio stations request that since telephone lines are busy at such times, parents should not 'phone in for advice but listen to appropriate broadcasts or telephone the school messaging service.

### **CENTRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL TELEPHONE MESSAGING SERVICE**

This service allows parents to listen to a recorded message. To use this service:

- Dial Highland Council's access number **0870 054 6999**
- Now enter the school's own pin number when prompted **041710**
- Press 1 to hear the school's message about adverse weather

3. Make sure that if you do send your child to school when the weather is doubtful and you have to leave your home that he/she clearly knows what action to take if the school is closed e.g. go to the home of the emergency contact.

Information can also be accessed on the Highland Council Website and following links to school closures.