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Headteacher: Mrs S. King

Dear Parents/Carers,

School Site Closure – Friday 18 February 2022 due to Severe Weather Warning Storm Eunice

A severe weather warning has just been upgraded to red for some areas of the South West, with an amber warning elsewhere. See <u>BBC Storm Eunice Weather Warning</u>

This means the high winds forecast for tomorrow are extremely high risk and so for the protection of all our school community – both students and staff, the school site will be closed tomorrow.

Lessons for all students in Years 7-10 and Year 12 will be delivered remotely via Teams, following usual timetables. Registers will be taken and all students are expected to attend.

We have the following expectations for live remote lessons:-

- The child must be in a room alone so no adult or other child can hear the lesson. This is an important safeguarding requirement.
- The microphone must be turned off when joining the lesson. Students can opt to have their camera turned on or off.
- If your child has a question about the lesson or a task that has been set, they can ask the teacher via the chat function.
- If more than one student is joining the lesson remotely, no chat allowed between students.
- Our usual behaviour expectations apply: if the code of behaviour is breached, students are removed from the lesson by the teacher and behaviour consequences will be issued.
- Below is a link which has helpful information about Teams: <u>https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/education</u>

We had our Remote Learning Teams practice day in November, so all students should be able to access their lessons. However in the event of any IT difficulties, due to storm disruption and the uncertainty of home working, back-up tasks will be available on Class Charts.

There will be no lessons for students in Year 11 and Year 13 who are in their mock exam week. Students should use this time for their independent study. Tomorrow's exams will be rescheduled after half term.

All staff will be working from home, including teachers who will be teaching from home. There will be no staff on school site, due to the high risk of travel. In an emergency, to contact the school, please email <u>admin@bristolfreeschool.org.uk</u>

School will re-open as usual after the half term on Monday 28 February. Please stay safe during the severe weather and enjoy your half term.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs S King Headteacher

