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Dear Parents/Carers,

As I write this entry it is raining and I can only say how grateful I am to see that instead of snow! I just hope that it washes everything away and does not freeze too badly.

Since returning from Christmas we have had a very disrupted time and I am grateful to you all for being so supportive during what I know has been very difficult times for you all. We do not like to close as it puts great pressure on everyone and teachers worry about getting through the syllabus in time especially for exam students. I am grateful that staff have been e mailing work to those students and marking it on line from home.

As always our greatest challenge is knowing how many staff can get in from outlying districts. It differs from day to day and from place to place so nothing ever remains constant!

We did pay for a local builder to come in with his digger and three men to clear the car parks and pavement on Thursday and this enabled us to open on the Friday. The car parks here are so large and the snow drifts high into them that we can not clear them with our own staff although the premises staff did try. Additionally when it freezes it is lethal and we ran out of grit. Even though we ordered more the promised order has not arrived. So we have decided to stockpile for next year starting now!

Thank you to everyone who made an extra special effort in whatever way to enable exams to go ahead and school to open whenever possible.

*Mrs C Murrell, Headteacher*

## **PTA – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Annual General Meeting will take place on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2010 at 7.30pm** at STAGS. All parents and staff are welcome.

*Mr Doyle*

## **TO THE PARENTS OF YEAR 9 STUDENTS**

There will be an important meeting about the Key Stage 4 curriculum on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm in the school hall. All students are asked to attend with their parents. A copy of our information booklet will be sent home before the evening: Parents may find it useful to bring it with them. The school options process will be described and there will be presentations about some of the courses on offer.

*Jill Ainsworth, Assistant Head Curriculum*