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To all parents/guardians

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Request for ensuring safety of children on their way to school during bad weather, etc.

In this season of cherry blossoms, we hope that you are all in good health. Thank you for your continued cooperation with our school's educational activities. Thank you very much.

Regarding the above, in recent years, sudden heavy rains, thunderstorms, tornadoes, etc. have been observed all over the country. In addition, in winter, there may be cases where children cannot safely get to school due to bad weather such as heavy snow.

In order to ensure the safety of children, we ask that you cooperate with the following points at home:
I hope so.

Notes

1. Regarding students' attendance at school during severe weather such as heavy snow, heavy rain, and thunderstorms

If there are any changes to the school arrival time, we will send you an emergency email. If you do not receive any notification from the school, you should attend school as usual. However, please take the following points into consideration.

- (1) If you judge it dangerous to send your child to school due to a sudden change in weather conditions (lightning, tornadoes, gusts of wind, etc.), please prioritize your child's safety and contact the school and arrange for your child to arrive late. It is okay to arrive late after discussing with the school walking group. In either case, your child will not be considered tardy.
- (2) If parents or guardians decide to have their children come to school late, we ask that they be accompanied by a family member and not allow their child to come to school alone.

2. Protect yourself from sudden heavy rain, lightning, and tornadoes

Please talk to your children at home about the following:

When dark clouds approach, when thunder approaches, or when a cold wind suddenly blows, Get away from dangerous areas and evacuate to a safe place.

- (1) Move away from the river as the water level will suddenly rise and the current will become stronger (heavy rain). (2) Move inside a building as lightning will strike and gusts of wind will send flying objects. (3) Move away from trees as lightning that strikes them may give you an electric shock. (4) Get into the shade of a sturdy structure such as a concrete structure and make yourself smaller (tornado). (5) If there is no indoor space to run to, crouch next to a sturdy structure or lie face down in a drainage drain etc. (tornado)
- (6) If there is a "Child Protection Home 110" call for help. (7) If you hear thunder or a thunder alert (warning) on your way home from school, follow your teacher's instructions and wait at the school.

• In the case of (7), we will inform you of the waiting situation by email, etc. We may ask you to go home after the child is handed over, so please let the school know your emergency contact information. Also, please let us know if the emergency contact information changes.