HOT & EXTREME WEATHER PROCEDURE

GENERAL: Occasionally WEATHER CONDITIONS may be encountered that require change to normal yard duty/play routines at RECESS and LUNCH TIME to ensure the wellbeing of students and staff. These conditions may also impact curriculum and extra curricula activities and may result in changes.

GUIDELINES:

RAIN – When it rains at recess/lunch-time (for anything but a brief passing shower) students and the yard-duty teacher must return to the library. It is the responsibility of the YARD-DUTY TEACHER to inform students to move indoors. Students confined to the library during recess/lunch-time due to rain may engage in any ‘informal’ activities as determined by the teacher on duty. Should the rain stop, students may return to the yard and the normal yard duty roster is maintained.

HOT or EXTREME WEATHER – The air conditioned school library is open to students at recess and lunch-time at the teacher’s discretion. It is the responsibility of the YARD-DUTY TEACHER to inform students to move indoors. Students confined to the library during recess/lunch-time due to hot weather may engage in any ‘informal’ activities as determined by the teacher on duty.

EATING OF RECESS & LUNCH – Students are required to sit in the outdoor learning area (under the pergola) to eat their recess and lunch. Students may then move in to the library as instructed by the teacher on duty. On days of extreme weather conditions (extreme heat, cold, wind and rain) students may be instructed to eat their recess and or lunch in their classroom whilst supervised by their class teacher. When instructed by their class teacher, they may move to the library for the remaining recess or lunch-time.

CURRICULUM / EXCURSIONS / EXTRA CURRICULA ACTIVITIES
Where an excursion or extra curricula activity is planned on a day of hot or extreme weather, leadership will determine the safety of the activity and whether it should continue. This may also apply to activities planned in the general curriculum.

In the case of extreme/unpredictable weather conditions normal invacuation / evacuation emergency procedures will be followed.

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