

# PLAYFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

### A Hot Weather

- As all class areas are air conditioned students will not be dismissed before normal dismissal time.
- When the forecast temperature is 36 degrees or higher, students will remain indoors during lunch periods in either designated class areas or the Resource Centre, where supervision will be provided. Flexibility will be needed ( Use a common sense approach).
- Staff will be advised through the “Day Notes” on the computer in the Staff Lounge when this HOT WEATHER procedure will commence and end. Responsibility for this will rest with the OHW&S representative.
- During these indoor play periods, normal class and yard behaviour management procedures are to be followed by supervisory staff.

- **Occupational Health issues:**

**Specialist outdoor lessons** - physical education, environmental education etc. must reflect alternating outdoor / indoor lesson programming with a strong leaning to the latter. On the third and ensuing days where the temperature remains above the standard minimum these lessons must be held indoors .  
Specialist teachers have priority use of the Gym and Multipurpose Room.

- **Excursion planning** should include provision for:
  - cancellation
  - alternate activities
  - shortened time frame
  - observance of school’s Sun Smart and Excursion policies.
- The wearing of hats by students, staff and parent volunteers when outdoors for any reason is mandatory.
- Parents visiting the school are to be both encouraged and expected to wear hats when visiting the school.

## **B Wet Weather**

### **At and during play breaks**

- Three (3) sirens at any time from the beginning of a play break will signify that all children must immediately return to class areas.
- Should the wet weather abate, staff member on duty to check grassed area. Permission may be given for children to return to play areas.
- On a rostered basis 1 teacher should be on duty in:
  - Buddy rooms (Teachers to buddy up.)

### **During lesson periods**

- PE to be held indoors in the Gym or Multipurpose Room.
  - Specialist teachers have priority use of Gym and Multipurpose Room.
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