



Swallowcliffe P-7

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SWALLOWCLIFFE PreSchool Hot Weather Policy

Rationale:

- As a Staff we are committed to providing a safe learning environment for all children

Building Design:

Swallowcliffe PreSchool building is of solid construction and open space design. Each space is air-conditioned by split systems. The building accommodates up to 46 children at any given time. A hard cover pergola extends one length of the outdoor area and a hard cover shaded area is over the sandpit to protect students from the sun during outdoor learning activities.

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When the forecast temperature is 34 degrees (site decision) or above on any single day the following procedure will be actioned:

- Students will go out for morning play only in restricted play shaded areas ie sandpit and under the veranda until the temperature reaches 36 degrees. Once the temperature reaches 36 degrees all staff and children will remain indoors. Staff will track this via a mobile weather app.
- Booked excursions for the day will need to seek direct approval from the School Principal before proceeding with the excursion.
- The PreSchool will switch off lights where possible and draw curtains to keep class areas as cool as possible.
- Technology equipment will be turned off where possible.
- Children will be encouraged to have regular drink breaks.
- Children may use spray bottles under supervision of the teacher.
- The learning program will be maintained, with modified learning program implemented after lunchtime.
- Early dismissal will not be endorsed. Parents/Carers who wish to 'pick up' their children early from the PreSchool will need to 'sign out' their child as per early departure procedures.
- Parents are encouraged to dress children in clothing that minimises heat and are encouraged to pack food in insulated containers with a freezer blocks and label food items for the fridge.

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Promotion:

The policy will be promoted by:

- Families being informed via the newsletter and other correspondence.
- New families to the centre being informed via the Enrolment Information package.
- Staff being informed and provided with training opportunities.
- Students being informed via teachers.

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