

Falls Road Primary School

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Weather Policy

Our wet weather policy is now divided into three categories

- 1. Severe wet weather
- 2. Wet weather
- 3. Extreme Hot Weather
- > Wet Weather and Extreme Hot Weather procedures will be announced via the intercom at recess.
- > At lunch the decision will be made at the end of the designated eating time
- Staff who are on 2nd lunch duty at lunch time will meet with the Principal and Deputy next to the T & E at 12.45pm to make a decision on Wet Weather or Extreme Hot Weather.
- > If either condition is called it is for the duration of the break (Students are to stay dry and stay inside)

Severe Wet Weather:

- In extreme wet weather (thunder/lightning, storm / heavy rain) the admin will announce via intercom that the school is in 'severe wet weather'.
- This means teachers stay with their classes (eat their recess or lunch with their students) and are responsible for the supervision regardless of duty timetable.
- Students are not allowed to leave the classroom.
- This will only occur in 'extreme circumstances' when it is deemed necessary for the emotional well being and safety
 of our students (<u>'Severe Hot Weather</u>' may also be called if students health and well-being is compromised)

Wet Weather:

When wet weather is called at lunch time, students will go to the Moonlight Hall to watch a DVD on the big screen.

- Students to eat lunch in the covered areas outside the Art Room, Kindy, Room 8 and Room 5 until decision made at 12.45pm
- All students to stay in the Moonlight Hall until the end of lunch time, Students will only be allowed out to go to the toilet or to get a drink
- Teachers on duty will supervise students in Moonlight Hall

Extreme Hot Weather

When Extreme Hot Weather is called at lunch time, students will go to the following areas to watch a DVD.

Class	Area	Suprervisor
Yr 1 and Yr 1/2	Junior Wet Area	Area 1 Duty Teacher
Yr 2/3 and Yr 3	Library	Area 2 Duty Teacher
Yr 4 and Yr 5	Senior Wet Area	Deputy Principal
Yr 6 and Yr 7	Music Room	Principal

How the duty is covered

- If the possibility that wet weather procedures may be needed has been announced on the intercom, staff on 2nd lunch duty meet with the Principal and Deputy next to the Art Room at 12.45pm.
- > If wet weather is called at lunch time, staff on duty will supervise the students in the Moonlight Hall

Recess Wet Weather

If wet weather is called at recess, then students stay in their classes. Teachers to supervise their own class and the class next door to them for half of recess and then swap with the other teacher for the second half of recess (Allows short break)

Review This policy will also be revisited at the beginning of each year to ensure it continues to meet our duty of care requirements, update new classes etc and to also make new staff members aware of the process

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