



Hot Weather Procedure

Rationale:

Over exposure to the sun and heat presents a serious health risk. This Hot Weather Procedure sets out a process whereby on days of extreme heat children will play indoors.

Implementation & Guidelines:

- On days where air conditioning is not functioning and the inside temperatures of the classrooms is deemed too hot for a comfortable educational environment the Principal has the option of implementing a hot day program for the school.
 - On these day "hot" classrooms can be directed to move to cool areas of the school for certain periods of the day.
 - Identified cool areas available for classes within the school are: the gym the library performing arts room OSH club building (available hours: 9.30 to 3 pm)
 - It is the Principal's responsibility to determine the priority of classes to be moved.
- When the outdoor temperature is deemed to be too hot by the principal the current procedure of keeping children indoors on extreme heat days is to be followed.
- The school's SunSmart policy is to be followed.
- In summer, regular newsletter items are to be placed reminding parents to make sure children are provided with water bottles and educated about the importance of drinking fluids on hot days.
- Teachers are to regularly remind children to drink fluids and maintain hydration and to be mindful of dehydration and overheating symptoms.

Evaluation:

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three year review cycle.

This policy was ratified by School Council - June 2017