



Highgate School Inclement Weather Policy

At Highgate School we work together to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the community.

Wet Weather

Before School

- ✓ Children shall be allowed to enter classroom if heavy rain is falling.
- ✓ Teachers present, will share responsibility for supervision.
- ✓ Leadership or staff without a class will be rostered on duty

Recess and Lunch Break

- ✓ Either someone from the leadership team or a teacher on duty makes the decision for Wet Weather Procedures. Two quick blasts of siren.
- ✓ Leadership/admin team are responsible for sirens - 2 BELLS - 2 to go in 2 to go out.
- ✓ All children remain in classrooms under Class Teacher supervision, except when using toilet or Canteen.
- ✓ The gym is closed and library passes are required if students go to the library.
- ✓ Students must be indoors, under supervision. Supervision can be shared across teams to provide short release breaks.
- ✓ If the rain stops within 10 minutes of the end of lunch, students will remain indoors.

Sunsmart Policy

- ✓ Broad brim or foreign legionnaire hat (with NO cords) to be worn when the UV reading is 3 or above. The morning forecast from the BOM website is used to determine this.
- ✓ Students with no hats must remain in the shade. Students should be directed to the Pavilion or to sit outside the verandah of the Early Years Building.

Hot Weather Policy

On days where the forecast temperature is 36C and confirmed (as per Bureau of Meteorology Current Temperature) to be 36C or over before the break:

- ✓ 2 bells will ring at the beginning of the break
- ✓ Students will be stay inside for recess/lunch.
- ✓ Leadership and specialist teachers will release staff where possible.

Resource Centre arrangements

- ✓ *Students can access library for games, quiet reading etc with library passes (teacher librarian on duty)*

SATURDAY MORNING SPORTS

If the BOM forecast for Saturday is 36C and above **at 12pm on the Friday prior**, the games will be cancelled.