BPS WET WEATHER POLICY

Wet Weather Procedures – Recess & Lunch

- If wet weather is announced for recess or lunch breaks, students will be asked to eat their recess and lunch on the verandas outside their classroom.
- Students may move around on the verandas once finished eating to have a break from the classroom. Teachers on duty will supervise as per the areas on the duty roster. Ball games and sports not permitted to be played on verandas.
- Students will remain in covered areas that are supervised by duty teachers as follows:
  - ✓ Teleblock Alcove Area and verandas – Rooms 11, 12, 13, 14 Students
  - ✓ Middle Veranda and Office/Staffroom Veranda – Rooms 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
  - ✓ Junior Veranda and Office Veranda – Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Severe Weather Procedures – Recess and Lunch

Severe weather can include:

- Thunderstorms which can bring hail, damaging winds, heavy rainfall, and lightning.
- Cold fronts with strong winds

In the event of **severe weather**, please follow buddy class system below and supervise within your classrooms.

Buddy Classes	Teacher	Teacher
Kindy Gold	Carol Waters	Music Teacher (Mondays) Drama Teacher (Tuesdays) Art Teacher (Wednesdays) PE Teacher (Thursdays) Science Teacher (Fridays)
Kindy Blue	Nicolee Neale	
PPA	Shona Robinson Judith Althorpe	Shona Robinson (Mon Judith Althorpe
PPB	Lenka Del Rosso (Mon-Wed, Thurs) Jacinta Murphy (Thurs/Fri)	Lenka Del Rosso Jacinta Murphy
Rooms 1 & 2	Melissa Taylor (Tues to Fri) Kym Leather (Mon)	Coralie Walker (Mon to Thurs) Judy Wan (Fri)
Rooms 3 & 4	Carolyn Visser (Wed to Fri) Mary Grant (Mon to Tues)	Tania Baldwin (Wed to Fri) Judy Wan (Mon, Tues)
Rooms 5 & 6	Cath Lindsay (Mon to Thurs) Mary Grant (Fri)	Georgia Provan (Mon to Fri)
Rooms 7 & 8	Marnie Smith (Mon to Thurs) Janette Hamill (Fri)	Tara Berriche (Mon to Fri)
Rooms 9 & 10	Mel Marston (Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri) Stephanie Rate (Wed)	Grace Arangio (Mon to Fri)
Rooms 11 & 14	Kelly Drabble (Mon to Fri)	Claudine Fernandez (Mon to Thurs) Liam Dallimore (Fri)
Rooms 12 & 13	Di Pursell (Mon to Fri)	Matt Cecins (Mon to Fri)

ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

PRINCIPAL & DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

- Ensure that all staff (including relief staff) are aware of the wet weather procedures to be followed.
- Declare wet weather or severe weather procedure by making PA announcements prior to recess and lunch breaks.
- PA announcement to alert staff and students when wet weather arrives during a break. This PA announcement will indicate that all staff and students return to verandas for supervision.
- PA announcement to alert staff and students when severe weather arrives during a break. This will indicate that all staff and students should return promptly to classrooms for supervision.
- Provide breaks and support for teaching staff who have already completed a duty on the same day. Deputies will check the duty roster and provide support where needed.
- Principals and Deputies to support staff and relief staff in re-directing students back to regular play areas if weather improves during the break.

SPECIALISTS

- If not rostered on Kindy duty and without another scheduled duty that day, specialists will visit or call the Deputy Principal's office to be allocated support duties elsewhere in the school.
- If a specialist has already completed a duty on the same day that severe weather is called, they will not be required to undertake an additional duty. In these cases, a member of the executive team will provide support.

CLASSROOM TEACHERS

- Follow the wet weather procedure or severe weather plan when asked to.
- Contact the Deputy Principal office if there are any issues or support required.
- If the classroom teacher is on duty and rain begins, they are to support students in moving to the veranda area as per the wet weather plan.
- If the teacher is on duty and severe weather is called, they are to assist students in returning safely to their classrooms.
- If on duty, and the weather improves, teachers will direct students back out to regular play areas.
- Collaborate with classroom teacher buddy to organise time allocations for duty when following severe weather supervision in classrooms.
- If a classroom teacher has already completed a duty on the same day that severe weather is called, they will not be required to undertake an additional duty. In these instances, the executive team will provide support.

EDUCATION ASSISTANTS

- Follow existing duty roster during wet weather and severe weather to support teachers in classrooms or on verandas.
- If an Education Assistant is on duty and rain begins, they are to support students in moving to the veranda area as outlined in the wet weather plan.
- If an Education Assistant is on duty and severe weather is called, they are to assist students in returning safely to their classrooms.