

EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS POLICY

On days forecast by the Weather Bureau (BOM) as 36°C or more, the hot weather policy is applied. OSHC educators will exercise duty of care when children partake in physical activity during hot weather to ensure that children and educators do not overheat and that sun exposure is kept to a minimum.

Hot Weather

less than 36°C

children go out to play as usual and are encouraged to play in the shade and drink plenty of water

36–37°C

children will have restricted outdoor play limited to 15 minute sessions (only in shaded areas), then return indoors

no running games allowed (gym included)

frequent stops to have a drink

38°C and over

no outside play – inside activities only

no running games allowed (gym included)

frequent stops to have a drink

Extreme Weather

On days of extreme weather such as extreme wind, rain, hail or thunderstorms, OSHC educators will exercise duty of care and implement a 'NO OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES' procedure. This may include reduced playtime, no outdoor playtime or emergency evacuation by calling all students inside.

Gully is to be closed, and children kept clear from tree areas within school grounds.

Excursions

OSHC Director may override this policy if circumstances on the day change. Where an excursion is planned for a day of HOT or EXTREME weather, the Director will determine the safety of the excursion and advise if it should continue.

Forecast Catastrophic Fire Danger Days

No persons are permitted to be on school site on catastrophic fire danger days.