HOT WEATHER: ESTIMATED MAXIMUM 36 DEGREES OR HIGHER

On days forecast by the Weather Bureau as **36℃ or more,** the hot weather policy applies. This means students stay under shade, if outdoors, and at the duty teachers' discretion the siren may be sounded to indicate that students need to return to classrooms. Both lunchtime duty teachers will confer as to whether play is ended. Parents are reminded to ensure children apply sun block and bring their water bottles daily.

Recess Time:

- Students go out to play as usual and are encouraged to play in the shade and drink plenty of fluids.

Shortened Lunch Time:

- Students go out to play for 15 minutes and are encouraged to play in the shade and reminded to drink plenty of fluids.
- All staff will exercise duty of care when taking students for physical activity/fitness lessons during hot weather to ensure that students do not overheat and that sun exposure is kept to a minimum. Staff are advised to minimise outdoor activities between 11.00am and 3.00pm.

Parents may also exercise their right to keep students home on days of extreme heat.

COMPETITION SPORT POLICY

On days where the estimated maximum is 36 degrees, interschool and competitive sport will be cancelled. This decision will be confirmed by the host school following discussions. The procedure will also apply to days of extreme weather.

SUN PROTECTION POLICY

All children F-7 are required to wear an approved hat when outside, regardless of the weather - This includes recess, lunch, any lessons held outside and excursions. **Approved hats only.** These are either broad brim or legionnaire style – providing the best UV protection. The use of 15+ skin block is encouraged.

EXTREME WEATHER

On days of extreme weather such as extreme wind, rain, hail or thunderstorms, staff at Fulham Gardens Primary school will exercise duty of care and implement a 'No outside activities' procedure. This may include reduced playtime, no outdoor playtime or emergency invacuation by calling all students inside.

BEFORE SCHOOL INCLEMENT WEATHER

Yard supervision commences at 8.30am. Students should not be in the yard before this time unless being supervised by a parent/ carer.

In the event of inclement or extreme weather the siren will sound twice indicating students may enter the building and wait in an appropriate manner until the class or supervising teacher arrives.

The learning program will commence at 8.45 am

AFTER SCHOOL INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event of extreme weather at the end of the school day, students will remain indoors until collected by parents/carers.

Please Note: School leadership may override this policy if circumstances on the day change.

Where an excursion is planned for a day of HOT or EXTREME weather, leadership will determine the safety of the excursion and advise if it should continue. If it is decided to cancel the excursion a refund may not be possible and where possible the excursion may be rescheduled.

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