

EXTREME WEATHER POLICY

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June 2026

RATIONALE

Where possible, Kardinya Primary School students are encouraged to be outside during break times, enjoying fresh air, physical activity and social interactions. However, sometimes break times coincide with weather that is too wet, windy or in extremely high temperature and it is necessary to plan for such events.

PURPOSE

- To provide staff with clear direction regarding student supervision during break times of extreme weather.
- To ensure that, despite extreme weather supervision, all staff can access food and drink and have access to a break.
- To ensure that all staff contribute to student supervision during extreme weather.

GUIDELINES

- Extreme weather decisions will be made by Admin and called over the PA before the recess or lunch break.
- Where possible, Admin will allow students to move outside if the weather subsides, this will also be announced over the PA. Duty teachers will resume, as per the duty roster.

PROCEDURES

- If extreme weather is called during a break a PA announcement will be made and the siren will sound earlier to alert students to return to class.
- When extreme weather is called by Admin, students stay inside classrooms.
- The break time is to be supervised by a teacher. In adjoining rooms teachers can share the supervision load, allowing each teacher to take a break for half the time.
- Where classrooms are stand alone, a member of the Admin team or DOTT teacher will provide release either during the break or shortly afterwards.
- This is not learning time, students should be allowed to socialise and/or play quiet indoor games.