



Birdwood High School

Inclement Weather Policy and Procedures based on DFE Policy

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When the weather is inclement, (extreme high temperatures, rain, hail, severe dust or electrical storm), students are provided with an alternative to being in the yard at recess and lunch times. Two sirens blasts will sound to indicate Inclement Weather.

Executive Leaders on duty will make the decision on inclement weather alternatives for the day or a delegate listed below. On these occasions supervised indoor areas will be available to all students.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
SACE Leader	STEM Leader	Middle S. Leader	Maths Leader	Student W&E Leader

Teachers have been allocated to a year level and will move to the appropriate areas and support colleagues to ensure correct student/teacher ratios are maintained. All students **MUST** move to their designated areas. All other areas will be out of bounds.

Year Level	Area	Yard Duty Staff	Leader
Year 8	Gym / Shelter outside canteen	Year 8 Advisory Teachers	Year 8
Year 9	Gym / Shelter outside canteen	Year 9 Advisory Teachers	Year 9
Year 10	ILC4 and ILC3	Year 10 Advisory Teachers	Year 10
Year 11	Senior Tutorial BB17,18,19	Year 11 Advisory Teachers	Year 11
Year 12	Senior Tutorial BB01/02	Year 12 Advisory Teachers	Year 12

Please note if the inclement weather bell rings during lunch teachers will be assigned as follows

- Year 8** assigned to Yard Duty first half of lunch
- Year 9** assigned to Yard Duty second half
- Year 10**, 10.1 & 10.2 first half, 10.3 & 10.4 second half
- Year 11**, 11.1-11.3 first half, 11.4-11.6 second half
- Year 12**, 12.1-12.2, first half, 12.3-12.4 second half

Extraction from DFE Sun Smart Policy Guidelines

- The sun protection policy is in place during terms 1 and 4, and when the ultraviolet (UV) radiation level is 3 and above at other times.
- The policy is implemented for all events and programs including excursions, camps, sporting events etc. This includes wearing of a rash tops or t-shirt over bathers for outdoor swimming activities.
- Appropriate skin protective clothing and hat is included in the school uniform/dress code.
- Care is taken during the peak UV radiation times and outdoor activities maybe adjusted accordingly.
- A combination of sun protection measures are considered when planning outdoor events (camps, excursions, sporting activities, swimming carnivals).
- Students are actively encouraged to use available shaded areas and keep hydrated throughout the day
- Sunscreen is available in various locations around the school.
- Programs on sun protection, skin cancer prevention is included in the curriculum where appropriate.
- The school reviews its sun protection policy regularly (at least every three years) to ensure that the information remains current and relevant.

