

# KEITHCOT FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Keithcot Farm School *Inclement Weather Policy*

**Rationale:** There will be days when the weather is considered too hot, windy or wet to make play outside sensible or safe. This policy outlines some of the processes that will be put in place on these days.

### Policy Statements:

1. The decision to implement this policy on any day is made by a member of the leadership team.
2. Pods and Houses will organise breaks amongst themselves.
3. Specialist teachers and Leadership will provide additional breaks and manage the canteen duty. Priority will be given to teachers who have already performed a yard duty at recess.

### HOT WEATHER

1. Hot weather constitutes a forecast of 36 degrees or greater prior to either recess or lunch.
2. A double bell will sound to signify that students are to stay inside.
3. All lunches and recess should be stored inside the classroom.
4. In line with our SunSmart Policy, no PE/Fitness lessons are to be outside after recess.  
**On days when the temperature is forecast to be 36 degrees, but it hasn't reached 36 (according to the BOM Wynn Vale temperature), the oval will be out of bounds at lunch time due to lack of shade available.**

**NB – On hot days when students play outside (just under 36 degrees) teachers should encourage students to play in the shade and limit ball games in full sun.**

### WET WEATHER

1. Recess/Lunch - Double bell indicates staying inside. Teachers share inside duty with Pod/House staff. Once the double bell rings and students are inside, they will stay inside regardless of whether or not the rain stops.
2. P.E. – PE teacher will have priority for the hall (gym) on 'wet weather days' to enable the program to continue.
3. Pavers Days – Leadership will decide when a 'pavers day' should be implemented. Pavers days usually follow wet weather when there are issues with mud and safety. Students are confined to paved areas only and are kept off the oval and grassed areas.

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