

# Hot Weather / Wet Weather Procedures

## MT. PLEASANT PRIMARY SCHOOL

### 1.0 Rationale

Although we recognise the need and encourage young people to be involved in physical activities there are times when doing so could endanger the health and safety of the staff and students participating.

In extreme weather conditions, such as heat, dust, smoke, strong winds or rain, alternatives need to be put in place.

### 1.1 Local Conditions

As weather conditions may change or may be different from place to place staff will monitor local (Mount Crawford) temperatures and conditions via Bureau of Meteorology's website and local, real time, observations to make determinations as to the appropriate responses.

### 2.0 Procedures

#### 2.1 Hot weather

Hot weather policy applies when Adelaide's reported temperature (at 8am of that day) is to be 35° or over.

#### 2.2 Morning Break for HOT weather

If the temperature is/will be above 35° at Lunch Time No outside play. If below 35° outside play may occur (see 1.1)

#### 2.3 Afternoon Break for HOT weather

No outside play.

Children are to stay indoors for the entire lunch period

#### 2.4 Wet Weather / Poor Air Quality / Strong Winds

- No outside play while raining or if the ground is too wet to be considered safe.
- No outside play when air quality due to dust/smoke/debris is likely to pose a risk to health and/or safety.
- No outside play when strong winds pose a danger of falling tree limbs and/or trees.

Normal break times apply. Children stay inside.

### 3.0 Staff Breaks

10-20 minutes release – Principal and NIT provider (when available) will release staff members for 10-20 minutes each at break times if possible.