



## Hot weather policy

Ballara Park Kindergarten has fully air-conditioned indoor play areas, a covered verandah and well-shaded outdoor areas.

We do not vary attendance times in hot weather, but will accommodate parents' wishes if they choose shorter days because of heat factors.

In addition:

- Staff will incorporate discussions about safety and health precautions necessary on hot days in small and large groups and with individual children where appropriate.
- Staff will encourage children to have regular drinks of water, particularly on hot days.
- Staff will set up experiences in the shade on hot days.
- Staff will plan experiences that are appropriate for hot days. This includes water play and activities that require less physical exertion on hot days.
- Staff will actively discourage physical exertion on hot days.
- On days of extreme heat, parents are asked to consider attendance and take precautions with young children travelling in the heat.

Please see our skin protection policy for further information about hot weather precautions.

*This policy has been developed and endorsed by the staff and Governing Council. It is reviewed every three years or as necessary.*

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