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KINDERGARTEN

'Learning and growing together'

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## **POLICY FOR HOT WEATHER CONDITIONS**

Sometimes during the summer months, we can experience extreme hot weather conditions. To help children be comfortable during these times we have the following policy and procedures.

1. Where the temperature outside reaches 34 degrees the children and staff are not permitted to remain in the outdoor learning environment.
2. The inside play area is cooled by 2 reverse cycle air conditioners and this keeps the environment at approximately 24 degrees.
3. The children are encouraged to drink water at regular intervals and the staff team monitor and model this behaviour.
4. Parents are encouraged to put all morning and afternoon snacks and lunches in the refrigerator unless they are cooled by other means. i.e. cooler blocks
5. Staff will provide a variety of stimulating activities both sedentary and physical to encourage all aspects of the children's learning and development.
6. In the event of the air conditioners being inoperable I will inform you of further arrangements after consultation with the DECD Education Director and the Kindergarten Governing Council.