Salisbury Kindergarten Hot Weather Policy

The Salisbury Kindergarten outdoor area has many large trees and structures which provide shade to most areas during the day. During periods of hot weather all preschool activities will be set up in these shaded areas. Activities will also be provided under the veranda but will be moved when staff feel that the levels are no longer safe for outdoor play.

The centre has air-conditioning in each of the indoor play areas which allows the children to engage in activities in a cool climate.

Children are encouraged to drink water during the day. Please provide your child with a named drink bottle. These can be placed in the trolley under the veranda in the morning and will be moved indoors when all children have arrived. They will be easily accessible to children all the time during the day.

During extreme heat children will play indoors.

Parents: We encourage parents/carers to pack food with an insulated brick to keep cool during the session. Parents are asked to put their child's lunch in the trolley when they stay for a whole day.

We ask that you dress your children in clothing which minimises heat and wear layers that can easily be removed during the day. We ask that your child wears sun safe clothing (no tank tops or midriff tops).

If there is an extended power outage on a day of extreme heat, the staff will contact families to come and collect their child. If children remain at the site, the staff will provide water play activities and provide plenty of drinking water for the children.

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