

EXTREME HEAT POLICY

Definition of Extreme Heat

Extreme heat is defined as when the predicted temperature for the Saturday exceeds 40°C. The Age Website (under the heading [Weather Full Details](#)) will be used as the definitive source of the forecast. During periods of high temperatures, all parents should monitor the predicted temperature to prepare for any eventual cancellation of classes.

Actions to be taken should extreme heat be predicted

The school principal will monitor the predicted temperature.

When the forecast issued on the Monday, indicates that the expected temperature on the Saturday is 40°C or above, an email will be sent to all committee members alerting them to the possibility that school may be cancelled.

A follow-up will be done on the Wednesday evening. If the forecast still predicts a temperature of 40°C or above on the Saturday, the school principal will email and/or SMS all committee members before 7.00pm alerting them to the situation and proposing that classes be cancelled the following Saturday.

Any committee members requesting more information should contact the school principal by 9.00 pm, at which time, based on any feedback from the committee members; the school principal will make the decision as to whether classes will be cancelled or not.

If classes are to be cancelled, an email will be sent to all parents immediately after 9.00 PM.

PREPARATION FOR HOT DAYS WHEN SCHOOL IS NOT CANCELLED.

Any day with high ambient temperature, high humidity or a combination of the two will require all staff to maintain extra vigilance, especially during breaks. Teachers should ensure that on these days adequate water is available to help the students remain hydrated.

TEACHER REMUNERATION FOR DAYS OF EXTREME HEAT

When school is cancelled, all teachers and assistants will receive their normal remuneration for the day which is cancelled.