

# BELLAVISTA School

## Wet Weather Procedures



### Early mornings:

- Classrooms must be open as soon as teachers arrive at school.
- Children to be inside the classrooms with teacher and Gr7 monitors present until start of the school day.
- If it starts to rain before line up, children to go to class rooms and teachers and monitors to follow and stay there for the remainder of the time.
- If lightning alert before line up, children to go to class rooms and teachers to follow and to stay there for the remainder of the day.
- Gr7 monitors must go back to their own classrooms.

### Lighting Alert:

- If lightning alert is on before start of school, parents will be notified per SMS to keep their child until the all clear.

### COVID-19 measures:

- Children will access via their regular gate, move directly to the sanitizing station, enter the building and line up under shelter at their classroom. Teachers will take their temperature and record on Ed-admin. If a temperature is an alert, the relating protocol for the same is actioned.

### Breaks:

- If it rains at start of break, children to stay in their classrooms.
- They can have their lunch/drinks inside the classroom. Gr7 monitors to look after the children.
- Teachers can go and get something to eat and drink, but must return to the classrooms as quick as possible.
- If it starts to rain during break, children to go back to class and teachers and monitors to follow and stay there for the remainder of the day.

### Lighting Alert:

- If the lightning alert goes off during break, children to go back to class and teachers to follow and to stay there for the remainder of the day. Gr7 monitors must also go back to their own classrooms.

### COVID-19 measures:

- If rain starts at break, children remain in the venue prior to that break to eat.
- The teacher or therapist must remain in the venue at all times and ensure that all sanitizing methods and distances are observed.

## **Sport:**

### *Rainy weather:*

- If raining before sport starts, children to stay in their classrooms with their teacher for the remainder of the day.
- If the rain clears during the time and it is not too wet, children can go back to their different sports.
- If it starts to rain during sport, but not lightning alert, children must return to their classrooms and the teachers must all be present in their classrooms.
- Gr7 children to go to own classrooms.

### **COVID-19 measures:**

- Sport is suspended when it is actively raining.
- Children stay in the venue that they attended in the 20 minutes prior to the scheduled sport session.

### *Lighting Alert:*

- If lightning alert is on before start of sport, children and teachers to remain in their own class rooms until all clear signal.
- If all clear signal has gone before 14:15, children can go to their different sports. If 'all clear signal' hasn't gone by 14:30, children to stay in the class room until the end of day.
- If lightning alert goes off during sport, the groups from the field must go to the hall with all teachers and coaches on duty.
- All other teachers should also go to their own class rooms to be there in case the children are sent back earlier when the all clear signal has gone and there isn't enough time for sport to continue.
- If the all clear signal comes again before 14:15, children can go back to the field until end of sport.
- If 'all clear signal' hasn't gone by 14:30, children to remain in the hall until end of the day.
- From here, they will be released if their parents are here to collect or as per further instruction from the Executive Principal or her designated staff member.

### **COVID-19 measures:**

- If lightning alert goes off during sport, the groups from the field must go to the main building and, under corridor cover, to their homerooms.

## **General Home Time**

- If lightning alert is on within 30 minutes of dismissal from school, children and teachers to remain in their own class rooms until all clear signal.
- Parents will be advised of a minimum of one hour stagger to the close of the school time. Updates will be issued to parents every 30 minutes after that.

For example: Lightning alert at 13h20 – parents to return at 14h30/ Lightning alert at 13h45 - - parents to return at 15h00

- The Africa Weather alert map will be monitored daily from 13h00 to let staff with young children know that they may need to make arrangements.

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