

Longdean School



Inclement Weather Policy

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The following rules apply:

Students are allowed to:

1. Use toilets during break and lunch-time but must use them sensibly
2. Use room 31 and the ISC (Years 7-9 ONLY)
3. Use the SSC (Years 9/10/11/12/13 ONLY)
4. Use the canteen and café areas, including the reception area outside the Lion Theatre and the covered area outside the TLC
5. Use all of the outside walkways

Students are not allowed to:

1. Use classrooms without supervision
2. Congregate in corridors or locker rooms
3. Use any grass areas as these are all out of bounds. Generally students can only go on fields in the first half of autumn term and the summer term.
4. Use 'C' block other than to go the ISC, reception, finance or toilets for Year 7.

General advice:

1. Students are encouraged to wear coats.
2. Students should be sensible around mud and puddles and not splash each other. Parents will be contacted and asked to bring another set of clothes for those students covered in mud.
3. Whatever the weather school uniform rules apply in classrooms and students must not wear hoodies, cardigans or trainers.
4. Students must walk on pathways provided. If students walk on muddy grass then they bring that mud into school which we then have to clean. This costs extra money which is money that could be spent on student education.
5. If students have muddy shoes and trousers it is obvious that they are not adhering to school policy and we imagine that their parents will not be too happy given that they will have to clean the clothes!!

Hot Weather Policy

If we have very hot weather then please follow these guidelines:

Students are allowed to:

1. Use toilets during break and lunch-time for drinking water but must use them sensibly.
2. Drink water in their lessons as is normal practice. (Water is the only drink allowed in lessons)

Students are not allowed to:

1. Use the medical room as a source for water due to health and safety. regulations. Eg blood from a previous incident in the sink.
2. Leave lessons for water unless the member of staff deems it to be absolutely necessary.
3. Engage in water fights. In this case, students will receive the appropriate sanctions including being sent home.
4. Adapt normal uniform eg Roll up trouser legs, unbutton collars, remove ties

General advice:

1. Inform the Premises Manager if you feel that the learning environment is not appropriate for staff and students. The school will act on information provided by staff and students and provide fans etc.
2. Encourage students to fill their water bottles during unstructured times from toilets, all of which provide drinking water.
3. Encourage students to sit in shaded areas and use sun block.
4. Encourage students to inform us if they have allergic reactions to wasps and bees and if they use hay fever tablets.
5. Give clear guidelines on the removal of blazers and ties if required in exceptional circumstances
6. If weather is deemed to be a health risk beyond normal expectations then we will also provide water stations but may also have to close the school.