

NCPS - USE OF SCHOOL GROUNDS - BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

North Cottesloe Primary School is a great school, and one of the elements that makes it special is the vibrant community that surrounds it. As a school, we value this highly, and support parents and carers in nurturing the bond between children, families and the school with safe practices whilst on school grounds.

To ensure activities within school grounds are respectful of children, carers and the school staff and teachers, the NCPS After School Working Group - made up of the Principal, parents and P&C representatives - have agreed on the following terms of engagement. If you have any questions, please get in touch with the school (northcottesloe.ps@education.wa.edu.au) or P&C (ncpcpresident@gmail.com).

BEFORE SCHOOL

Students are welcome to enter their classrooms from 8.40am. It is expected that students on school grounds before 8.40am are attending an organised and school approved activity such as the Chess Club, a school-approved sports activity, or Camp Australia Before School Care. All other students are asked to refrain from entering the school grounds before 8.30am. Students on the grounds between 8:30 and 8:40am will be supervised by teachers inside or next to, the Undercover Area.

AFTER SCHOOL

Our school day finishes at 3.10pm and our school is open to parents and carers for the purpose of collecting students from 3pm until 3.30pm. After this time, it is expected that all parents, students and other children will have left the school grounds, and staff supervision for the day will conclude at 3.30pm.

SCHEDULED AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

An exception applies to students who are attending Camp Australia After School Care and school-approved clubs and classes (eg. MBA Sport, music lessons, etc). These students and their families should wait at the location of their scheduled activity and follow the agreed school rules – listed below. If the day is a P&C play day, you are welcome to join in the P&C after school play session.

To ensure the after-school clubs and classes can use their allocated areas without interference, it is important that all students waiting for their own classes in the afternoons remain mindful of others, ensuring to stay off basketball courts and playing fields that are in use.

P&C ORGANISED AFTER SCHOOL PLAY

As is the case with majority of schools in WA, school playgrounds are open to students and their families as part of P&C organised after-school play events. In the case of our school, these will take place on designated afternoons [to be agreed], between the hours of 3.30pm-4.30pm on the top oval. There will be at least two P&C committee members on duty during this time to ensure the environment is kept safe, and they will be relying on the parents and carers (1 adult per 4 children) present to ensure appropriate child supervision is taking place and everyone is respecting the agreed terms of engagement.

SCHOOL RULES:

- Behave in a safe and respectful manner always.
- Only play if we have our parents/carers watching us.
- Only climb on play equipment designed for climbing. Trees do not constitute play equipment.
- Leave bikes, scooters and dogs outside the school grounds.
- Ensure supervising adults can see us. If we can't see them, they can't see us.
- Allow students/staff/individuals who have permission to be on site for a specific purpose (work, club, meetings), be able to perform their tasks without interference or disruption.

Supervising adults need to employ active supervision = line of sight, monitoring of student and younger sibling behaviour to ensure the above rules are followed.

NOTE: All relevant legislation, acts, regulations and policies that relate to duty of care, risk assessment and personal liability are available on our school website.

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