

School Yard Duty Procedure

North Melbourne Primary School

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Zoned Areas & Rules That Apply To Each Zone:

Areas in the school are zoned to ensure safety whilst playing and appropriate supervision.

There are three specific areas within the school. They are:

The South Side Area: including the area around The Flex, the playgrounds on the south side and the area on the east side of the school with the cubby. This area is for small ball games such as hand tennis or quiet play.

The Grassetball Court: including the soccer pitch in front of the gym and the area in front of the office and the old building. This area is for ball games, including kicking games.

The Oval Area: including the oval, the raised playground and the Biz-e-Kidz area. Football, soccer and other ball games are welcome here. These rules apply in break times and after school as well. The only exceptions would be for supervised sport and PE sessions.

Out of Bounds Areas: It is expected that students be in sight of the teachers on yard duty at all times. Therefore, the area behind Biz-e-Kidz and the Gym, the area behind the Comm and the Flex and the area on the east side of the offices are out of bounds for students at all times.

Afterschool Supervision & Biz-E-Kids: Teaching staff will supervise the school yard between 3:30 and 3:45. Students who are not attending Biz-E-Kids are required to leave the school grounds as soon as possible after the final bell at 3:30. Due to OSHC rules that require close supervision of children attending the Biz-E-Kids program, the school grounds are for Biz-E-Kids only from 3:45pm

Unsafe Play: Rough play such as tackling, play-fights or any activity that could lead to someone being hurt is not allowed at any time in the school grounds. Students are expected to walk around corners and down the paths and ramps. Games that involve running around corners are discouraged for safety reasons.

Walking Wheels Whilst in the School: Bikes, skateboards or scooters are not to be ridden in the school grounds during school or after school. This rule applies to students, parents and siblings of students. The only exception would be during supervised PE sessions or Biz-e Kidz activities.

SunSmart School: NMPS is a sun smart school. From September until the end of April, students are expected to wear a hat whilst outside in the school yard. Hats must be a broad-rimmed hat or a legionnaire's hat. Baseball caps are not acceptable, as they do not cover the ears or neck adequately. Students who don't have appropriate hats are asked to play in the shade or a suitable area protected from the sun.