**Welfare in the Playground – Procedures and Safe Play**

**Before School**

 No child should arrive at school before school opens at 9.00 a.m. unless they are in the care

of “Bridge the Gap” BASC, attending specialist lessons or are in the care of a teacher.

 At 9.00 a.m. children may arrive and play on the asphalt area (top playground).

 Games permitted are skipping or games involving the use of a tennis ball or handball.

 No football or soccer, chasings or play on fixed equipment is allowed.

 A warning bell will ring to mark the end of play and to allow children to be ready and at

lines for the 9.30 a.m. bell.

**At fruit break**

 All children are to play on the asphalt (top playground)

 The general rules for before school play apply

**At lunch time**

 All children are to be seated in the designated lunch area for 10 to 15 minutes to eat lunch.

 No child is to shop from the canteen before 1.10 p.m.

 All children are to clean up their eating areas before they play.

 During second half of lunch, when there are two teachers on playground duty, the oval

becomes the second play area. K-2 and 3-6 use the oval on alternate days.

 A warning bell will ring to mark the end of play. Children should pack away equipment, go

to the toilet, wash hands and be ready and at lines for the 2.00 p.m. bell.

**After school**

 At 3.15 p.m., children are to proceed straight home by a route determined by their parents.

 Children are not to stay and play games at school. No equipment is to be used.

 Children who remain uncollected at 3:15 p.m. are to let their teachers know.

 If parents are late, children are to go to the office to await collection.

**Ball Games**

 Games using a hard ball and/or bat (eg., cricket, softball) may only be played as part of an

organised sports lesson under direct teacher supervision and with all correct safety

equipment and procedures in place.

 Only tennis balls and small handballs can be used for ball games before school and at fruit break.

During the first half of lunch basketball shooting is permitted.

 Soccer and other large ball games are to be played only on the oval. Use of the oval at

lunchtime is in accordance with a grade roster.

 No games involving tackling are permitted.

**Permission to Leave the Playground**

 Permission from the teacher on playground duty must always be obtained before leaving the

playground to go to the office and other areas within the school.

 Students should obtain a green card from a teacher before going to sickbay in the administration

building.

 Teachers may send a student with a red card to the administration building in the case of an

emergency.