



Cyclone Information

Watch/Warning: Children to attend school as normal.

Blue Alert: The school will usually remain open.

Yellow Alert

Yellow alert issued prior to the commencement of the school day – students and staff to remain home. Communication will be distributed via email and SMS from the school Principal advising of the school closure.

Yellow alert prior to lunch – students can be picked up immediately and **MUST be collected** by a parent guardian from the classroom. The school will close at lunch time. Students **will not be** sent home. Parents and guardians are to contact the school and discuss alternative arrangements if they are unable to attend the school to collect their child.

Yellow alert after lunch – students can be picked up immediately and **MUST be collected** by a parent guardian from the classroom. The school will close at the usual time. Students **will not be** sent home. Parents and guardians are to contact the school and discuss alternative arrangements if they are unable to attend the school to collect their child.

If the school is to close the Principal will communicate via email & SMS advising of the school closure.

This information will also be broadcast between 6:30pm and 6:45pm and between 6:30am and 6:45am on:

- Redwave Radio (frequency 747)
- ABC Radio (frequency 1188)

The above does not preclude immediate closure in extenuating circumstances and if deemed necessary by the Principal.

Red Alert

School will remain shut during a Red Alert.

- In the event that a Red Alert is proclaimed after 2pm, schools will remain closed the following day.
- In the event that a Red Alert is proclaimed after 2.00pm but subsequently cancelled, the Regional Executive Director in consultation with the Principal has the discretion to ensure that schools open the following day.

After the cyclone

If all clear is called after 2.00pm schools will generally be shut the following day to allow for assessment and repair of serious damage. Please continue to listen to the radio to receive information as to when schools will open. An SMS text message or email will be sent to all families to notify of the school opening times once the all clear has been received.

The closure advice will be repeated each morning until the decision to re-open the school is made.

School Buses

School buses may also be affected. Any change to the bus operation will be given on the radio at the above times.

PLEASE DO NOT RING THE SCHOOL. All information and updated reports relating to warnings and school closures are issued on the radio. An SMS text message or email will be sent to all families if connectivity is available.

Please keep yourself informed via the radio, until all threat from the cyclone is past.

