



## GUIDELINES FOR POOL USE

### Pool supervision and safety

**In the event of a pool emergency ring 111 immediately if necessary. Everyone leaves the water and contact is made with the office for further assistance.**

- Students must never be in the pool compound without an adult present, and may not swim without an adult's permission.
- Students in the water, and around the pool, must be actively supervised.
- Students must walk, not run, around the pool, and may **not** dive or jump in from the sides of the pool, except with the teacher's permission and supervision.
- Students must not enter the pump or chemicals shed.
- Pool equipment is not left lying around the pool where it could be a hazard.

### Pool hygiene

Students are encouraged to use the toilet before swimming. To avoid spreading illness (e.g. those caused by Cryptosporidium, Giardia E. coli, or norovirus), the Ministry of Health recommends that anyone who has had diarrhoea should not use the pool until two weeks after the symptoms have resolved. In the event of a faecal accident, diarrhoea, or vomiting in the pool, the pool will be closed until the water quality is tested and restored.

- The principal has been trained in water treatment to meet NZQA Unit Standard 20046 in swimming pool water quality, and to supervise water treatment three times a day when the pool is in use.
- The principal is responsible for water quality and treatment during the school year. If no one is available to test and treat the water, the pool will be closed.
- Microbiological monitoring is completed monthly.

### Pool security

The gate must be locked at the end of any swimming session, and must not be tied or left open at any time for any reason. The pool supervisor ensures that the pool gate is always secured. Pool users should report any problems with the operation of the gate immediately.

**This policy will be reviewed as per the Board's Effectiveness Review Programme**

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The planned review date will be: November 2026 (date)

Presiding Member

Principal