

# 'BEE' SAFE!

Bees aren't scared by humans unless they are hit or scared by sudden movements. Stay away from their homes so they don't feel threatened.

Colours and perfumes attract bees. Avoid using perfumes and other scented items that might attract bees. Don't wear bright colours or black.

If practicable, wear long sleeves and pants to protect you from insects.

Ensure any students who are allergic to bees have medication on hand and you are familiar with their relevant action plans, in case they are stung.

Make sure students wear shoes at all times while outdoors, to avoid stepping on bees.

Encourage the class to stay calm if a bee flies near them, and not to hit the bee OR try to swat it away, as the bee could perceive this as a threat.

Tell the class that if anyone is stung, as unlikely as it may be, they need to tell the teacher immediately.

Symptoms of an allergic reaction to bee stings include, but are not limited to:

- hives (red patches on the skin that sting and itch)
- nausea
- dizziness
- a tight feeling in the throat and/or
- difficulty breathing.
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If these symptoms occur, seek medical attention immediately.

