

LONG SUTTON COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL SUN SCREEN POLICY

Introduction

Our School believes in promoting Sun Safety to ensure that children and staff are protected from skin damage caused by the harmful ultra-violet rays in sunlight.

As part of our Sun Safety Policy, our School will:

- Educate children throughout the curriculum about protecting their skin;
- Encourage children to wear clothes that provide good sun protection, and use sunscreens where appropriate;
- Seek shade, particularly in the middle of the day and to use shady areas during breaks, lunchtimes, sports and trips.
- Encourage staff and parents to act as good role models by practicing sun safety;
- Regularly remind children, staff and parents about sun safety through newsletters, posters and activities for pupils;
- Drink plenty of water during hot, sunny weather;
- Make sure the Use of Sun Screens Policy is working. We will regularly monitor our curriculum, assess shade provision, and review the sun safety behaviour of students and staff (use of hats, shade, etc).

Our School wishes to encourage students to protect themselves from the sun. One way of doing this is for the children to apply sunscreen (SPF 15+) at the appropriate time. Parents are encouraged to apply sunscreen before pupils come to school. If a pupil is to use sunscreen at school, parents are asked to:

- 1. Provide the sunscreen product for school use. The sunscreen must be:
 - Clearly marked with the child's name.
 - Replenished by the parent as needed.
- 2. The sunscreen product will be stored in the child's book bag or other location designated by the teacher.
- 3. The child must be able to apply his or her own sunscreen (except Nursery children).
- 4. For Nursery parents: They are asked to apply sunscreen at home before a typical school day, this will be reapplied as necessary by staff with signed permission (Intimate Care Policy).

If it is considered necessary for teachers/staff to assist with the application of sunscreen, the sunscreen will only be applied to face, neck, arms, hands and lower legs. If parents wish for staff to re-apply sunscreen, this will be reapplied as necessary by staff with signed permission (Intimate Care Policy).

Review

The Headteacher, Subject Leader and Governing Body will review this policy every two years in consultation with staff.

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