

12. Sun Protection

Sun Protection Policy

Statement of intent

The setting takes very seriously the health and safety of the children in its care with regard to the dangers of the sun. We acknowledge the advice given by Cancer Research UK and in particular the *Sun Smart Campaign*.

Aims

- To ensure that children playing out in the sun are adequately protected.
- To educate our children about staying safe in the sun.

In order to fulfil these aims

- We ask all parents to provide named sun cream for their child (at least factor 15)
- We ensure that all children have had sunscreen applied before playing outside when it is deemed appropriate. In accordance with Cancer Research UK guidance we recommend the use of only factor 15 and above sunscreen.
- We encourage parents to provide sunhats and children to wear them
- When appropriate we will provide a shaded area to protect the children whilst they play.
- We ensure that the children can access the indoor play area at all times so that they can choose to continue their play indoors.
- We ensure that there is an adequate supply of fresh drinking water available and that the children know how to access it if they feel thirsty or hot, and that cool drinks are available regularly during hot weather.
- we ask written parental permission to re-apply sun cream as required , and to apply the settings own sun cream in an emergency (i.e. if no sun cream has been provided by the parent)