



This policy applies only to those children in the EYFS classes

SAFETY IN THE SUN POLICY FOR CHILDREN IN THE EYFS CLASSES

As the health and well being of our school community is of great importance, we work towards protecting our pupils and staff from sunburn and from skin damage that can be caused by the harmful ultra-violet rays in sunlight.

We believe that by encouraging 'sun safe behaviour' at school and teaching children about the risks of sunlight, we can prevent them burning and contribute towards preventing skin cancer.

We will therefore be encouraging children to avoid sunburn and overexposure to the sun by:

- asking children to stay in the shade, particularly during the middle of the day
- wear their school sun hats
- wear clothing that protects the skin, particularly for outdoor activities and school trips
- use a high factor sunscreen (SPF 15+)

Some children are at greater risk of sunburn than others. Fair skinned, freckled children who burn easily are most at risk from overexposure to the sun and need to take great care when out in the sun. Those with brown or black skin do not normally need to use sunscreen in the UK but should avoid overexposure to the sun to prevent dehydration and overheating. Teachers and support staff on outdoor duties or in charge of school outings will remind those most at risk of burning to cover up in the sun and use a sunscreen.

The School will also remind parents of the sun safety policy from time to time, particularly around the start of the summer term, sports days, and outings.

Sunscreens provide added protection and may be useful when other measures are not available. Parents are asked to keep their children well supplied with these and to send their children to school with them. An application at the start of the day will usually last for the morning and will then only need to be reapplied after midday. The School encourages parents to provide sunscreen for this purpose. The rules/procedures for the use of sunscreens at school are attached. We would ask that you complete the attached form so that the School has a record of your support for the sun safety policy and your wishes with regard to sunscreen use by your children. The School does not permit the use of aerosol sprays.

TOWN CLOSE HOUSE



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Dear Parents

Parental Consent Form for the Application/Use of Sunscreens

Teaching staff will help children with the application of sunscreen as necessary, but their aim will be to encourage the children to be independent in such a procedure. Please indicate below whether you are happy for our staff and helpers to do this.

PUPIL DETAILS		
Surname:		Forename:
Address:		
Sex:	DOB:	Class/Form:
Please Tick		
I have read and support the School's sun safety policy		
I will provide my children with a non-aerosol sunscreen produce for use at school and on school outings in accordance with the School's procedures.		
I give my permission for staff and helpers to apply sunscreen when this is considered necessary.		

Signed:

Child's name:..... Date:.....