

General Safeguarding and Welfare Requirement:

The provider must promote the good health of the children attending nursery.



Sun Protection policy

Policy statement

At our Nursery we want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We will use the sunny weather as an opportunity to educate the children about how to keep themselves safe in the sun.

Education

All children of Pre School age will be given a talk about the importance of protecting their skin from the sun's harmful rays. The message will be re-enforced particularly in the summer term.

Shade

We are fortunate that our garden area does offer shady areas. During the hot, sunny weather we will emphasise the importance of covering exposed skin with large hats and long sleeves and stress the benefits of wearing sun cream and drinking water. Gazebos cover the sand and water areas for extra protection.

Clothing

All children will be required to wear a hat when playing outside in the sun. We have spare sun hats to lend to children who have forgotten theirs. We will encourage children to cover exposed areas of skin, such as shoulders. Staff will set a good example by wearing sensible clothing in the sun; this would usually be their summer uniform.

Sunscreen

- We provide waterproof sun cream, factor 50. Parents of children with specific allergies will be asked to provide their child with a named bottle of suitable sun cream.
- All children will have sun cream applied before being allowed outside. This will be applied at least twice a day, to all areas of exposed skin.
- Parents are asked to sign a consent form giving permission for staff to apply sun cream. Any child who does not have a completed consent form will not be allowed outside.

