



SARUM HALL SCHOOL

SUN PROTECTION POLICY

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INTRODUCTION

The school's mission is to identify and develop to the full the natural talents and potential of each individual pupil and to prepare them all for a full, happy, healthy, active and productive life. The school seeks to achieve this within the context of the culture, ethics and values of the Christian faith emphasising those strong moral and spiritual tenets shared with other faiths.

EDUCATION

A school assembly will be given by the Health and Wellbeing Coordinator each summer term on keeping safe in the sun.

Staff will explain to pupils why they must wear a hat and sunscreen when playing outdoors. Staff are also encouraged to role model for children by wearing hats and sunscreen themselves.

In the Early Years (who may not be present for the assembly) each class will discuss keeping safe in the sun.

Parents and guardians will be sent a letter explaining what we are doing about sun protection and what the children should bring to school. They will be reminded that on sunny days, they must ensure that their daughter has sunscreen thoroughly applied, before going to school in the morning.

PROTECTION

- **Clothing:**
Children should have sun hats at school. These should either be official school hats, or in the Early Years, a hat with a brim. School will have a number of sunhats available if anyone has forgotten or lost theirs.
- **Sunscreen:**
Pupils should apply sunscreen before coming into school each morning and will need to bring in their own clearly labelled bottle of sunscreen to top up during the day. (This should be a high-quality sun cream – minimum SPF30+ with broad spectrum 4* UVA and UBA protection.) They may apply this to themselves under the supervision of an adult. Adults should not assist pupils in this, except in exceptional medical circumstances which are agreed by the Headmistress. An adult should never be alone with a child when assisting such a child.
- **Shade:**
Gazebos can be set up in the playground/decking to provide a shaded area. Children can rest or play in this area or other shady areas; under the playhouse or in the Beach huts.
- **Water:**
Children are encouraged to bring their water bottles into the playground at break times and they can top up in every classroom or at the water fountain in the playground. Pupils are required to bring their own bottle of water to school every day.
- **Sunglasses:**
Children may wear sunglasses outside only.