

Sun Care

The nursery is committed to ensuring that all children are fully protected from the dangers of rays from the sun. Severe sunburn in childhood can lead to the development of malignant melanoma in later life.

We use the following procedure to protect the children's health and safety whilst in the sunshine:

- Children must have their own high factor sun cream named and dated with prior written consent for staff to apply. This enables children to have sun cream suitable for their own individual needs. Application will be at the discretion of the child's key worker and management.
- Children will be supplied with an adequate sun hat which will be worn whilst outside in sunny weather. Parents may supply their own if they wish.
- Children need light weight cotton clothing suitable for the sun, parents will be expected to provide a change of clothing for staff to monitor the heat and change appropriately.
- Children will not be outside in the sun between 11.30 – 2.00pm in extreme temperatures. Staff will make day-to-day decisions about the length of time spent in the sun.
- Children will always have sun cream applied before going outside in the sun and reapplied at frequent intervals during the day.
- Children are educated on the need for sun hats, sun cream and the need to drink more fluids during their time in the sun as part of the curriculum planning. Cooled water will be offered constantly during the day.
- Shade will be provided in the form of several pop up and fixed gazebos to ensure children are able to cool down or escape the sun should they wish or need to.

Date policy adopted	Signed by	Review date