



Sun Smart Policy

This policy has been developed to ensure that all children and staff are protected from damaging levels of ultraviolet radiation from the sun whilst at little Elms. At Little elms we want all children and adults to enjoy the sun safely. If the UV levels are above 3 we will suncream the children.

We will work with staff, children and parents to achieve this through:

Education:

- We will talk to all children about safety in the sun and the importance of wearing suncream and a hat.
- We will use the notice board outside to promote sun safety and always remind everyone through our summer newsletter about sun safety.

Protection – an ongoing process

Clothing:

- We will encourage parents/ carers to send their children in loose fitting clothes that cover as much skin as possible.
- We will actively encourage all children to wear a hat when playing outside. We have hats to lend children when they forget their own. All adults will wear hats when outside to set a good example to the children.
- We will try to ensure that there is as much shade as possible in the outside areas, the children will be encouraged to use the shaded areas when outside.

Suncream:

- We ask parents and carers to put sun cream on their child before they come in
- For children spending the whole day at preschool we ask for permission to apply our own hypoallergenic suncream to the children which we will do after lunch (Parents can provide their own if they do not wish for us to use ours) Practitioners wear gloves to apply sun cream to the children.
- Sometimes when it's very hot we may choose not to go out in the midday sun.

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