

SUN SAFETY POLICY

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1 Introduction

Sunshine Day Nursery believes in Sun Safety to ensure that children and staff are protected from skin damage caused by the harmful ultra-violet rays in sunlight.

2 Procedure to be Followed to Reduce the Risk

- Talk to children about why the sun can harm their skin and how best to protect themselves
- Encourage children to wear clothes that provide good sun protection (e.g. hats, long sleeves)
- Only children wearing a sun hat and sun cream are permitted to play outside Between the months of May and September in sunny weather
- Permission from parents must be given each year for staff members to apply the sun cream to their child
- Sun cream is provided by the nursery and will be a children's sun cream that is at least factor 50
- Parents can supply their own sun cream if they choose to do so, but must give consent for us to apply to their child still
- Sun cream must be applied with disposable gloves, changing them between each child
- Staff should apply the cream at least 15 minutes before the children venture outside to ensure that it has started working. The cream will be reapplied as per instruction on each individual bottle.
- Where possible, outdoor activities should be scheduled at times other than the middle of the day when the sun's rays are most harmful
- Hold outdoor activities in areas of shade where possible
- Staff and parents/carers should act as good role models by practising sun safety themselves
- Individual arrangements will be made for children with medical conditions who are unable to wear sun cream
- Regularly remind children, staff and parents about sun safety through newsletters, meetings, informal discussions
- A note will be made in the units sun cream book each time a child has had cream applied to ensure each child has sun pro.

