

# Sun Safety Policy

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Fladbury First School believes in promoting Sun Safety to ensure that children and staff are protected from skin damage caused by the harmful ultra-violet rays in sunlight and we will make every effort to ensure that both staff and children are able to enjoy the sun safely by taking the following steps:

- Educate children throughout the curriculum about the causes of skin cancer and how to protect their skin;
- Encourage children to wear clothes that provide good sun protection, and use sunscreens where appropriate;
- Seek shade, particularly in the middle of the day and to use shady areas during breaks, lunchtimes, sports and trips.
- Encourage staff and parents to act as good role models by practising sun safety
- Regularly remind children, staff and parents about sun safety through newsletters, posters and activities for pupils;
- Drink plenty of water during hot, sunny weather;

We will make sure our Sun Safety Policy is working by regularly monitoring our curriculum, assess shade provision, and review the sun safety behaviour of students and staff (use of hats, shade, etc).

Fladbury First School wishes to encourage children to protect themselves from the sun. One way of doing this is to use sunscreen at the appropriate time. If a pupil is to use sunscreen at school, parents are asked to:

- Provide the sunscreen product for school use. The sunscreen must be:
  - Clearly marked with the child's name.
  - Replenished by the parent as needed
  - A high factor (15+) product
- The child must be able to apply his or her own sunscreen (except Fladbury Pre-School and Reception children in Elm Class).
- Parents are asked to bring in a named bottle of high factor (15+) sun cream, which is kept in the sun cream box in each classroom. If your child requires adult support in applying the sun cream please speak to Mrs Edwards for a consent form.