



Dear Parent or Guardian

Sun Protection Procedures: We have developed this with the help of parents, teachers and pupils to ensure that we can all enjoy the sun safely over the coming months.

The sun's rays are particularly strong over the summer and they can damage children's skin. This may not seem like a problem right now, but it can lead to **skin cancer** in later life. Your child's health and well-being are very important to us, which is why we have decided to:

- Increase the amount of school time spent learning about sun protection.
- Provide more shade in the playground.
- Encourage pupils to wear hats and t-shirts when outside.
- Encourage pupils to use at least SPF 15 sunscreen in summer months.

I have also included a SunSmart information card (on the reverse) which will explain how to keep your child safe from the sun at home.

Your support is very important if our new policies are going to work. You can help by:

- Talking to your child about the importance of sun protection at home.
- Sending your child to school with a wide-brimmed hat and wearing tops that cover their shoulders – **NO** vests or strappy tops.
- Ideally apply sunscreen before the start of school (there are proprietary products on the market which only need to be applied once per day)
- Any cream brought into school **must be** roll on
- Infants must not apply sun cream themselves

Together I hope we can have a very happy and safe term to come.

Yours sincerely

Head teacher