

SAWLEY INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL



Sun Awareness Policy

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At Sawley Infant and Nursery School we acknowledge the importance of sun protection and want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with staff, pupils and parents to achieve this through the following means:

1. EDUCATION

The following measures will be taken:

- All pupils will have at least one SunSmart lesson per year.
- We will talk about how to be SunSmart in assemblies during the summer term and before summer break.
- Nursery children will have a SunSmart story time during the summer term.
- All pupils will create SunSmart posters/ pictures to reinforce the sun protection messages.
- We are adding a SunSmart song to those we normally sing around this time of year.
- Parents and guardians will be sent a letter explaining what the school is doing about sun protection and how they can help at the beginning of the summer term and during summer holidays.
- Information on sun safety will be made available in the staff room.

2. PROTECTION

This is an ongoing process.

- Shade: When the sun is strong we will encourage children to sit/play in the shade where it is available.
- We have planted willow trees to create natural shade.

3. TIMETABLING:

In the summer months we will aim to schedule most outside activities, school trips and PE lessons before 11am and after 3pm if appropriate. If this is unavoidable we will ensure hats, clothing and sunscreen are all worn to prevent sunburn.

4. CLOTHING:

When outside in sunny weather, children are required to wear hats that cover the ears, face and neck. We will endeavour to have spare hats in school to loan to children who forget their own.

5. SUNSCREEN:

- Sunscreen use will be encouraged on days when the sun is strong during summer at lunch breaks, during PE lessons and on school trips. Extra sunscreen will be made available in case children forget their own.

- Children will need to bring in their own clearly labelled bottle of sunscreen, at least factor SPF 15+.
- We will send letters home asking for permission for pupils to apply their own sunscreen on days when the sun is strong during the summer months. Staff will supervise children in nursery.
- We cannot currently supply sunscreen to all pupils on a daily basis because of cost. The governors will review this annually.

This policy was developed with the help of staff, parents and local health advisors. We will monitor our progress and review the policy regularly.