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Sun protection policy

Policy statement

At Hartfield Playschool we want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with children, staff and parents to achieve this.

The **SunSmart** Message

Stay in the shade 11-3

Make sure you never burn

Always cover up – wear a t-shirt, hat and wraparound glasses

Remember children burn more easily

Then advise parents to use factor 15+ sunscreen

Procedures

Education:

- We will educate children on the importance of being smart in the sun, using stories and resources to promote the significance of sun protection.
- We will forward to parents and carers any government information relating to sun safety, which we are given. We will also put information in our newsletters when appropriate.

Protection:

- When outside we will ensure that children have access to adequate shade and water.

Timetabling:

- We will try to avoid being out in the sun at the hottest time of the day

Clothing:

- We will actively encourage all children to wear a hat when playing outside from May – July and at other times of year when the weather is unseasonably warm or sunny.
- We have a supply of legionnaires hats, enough for every child in session
- Staff will be requested to wear hats as a good example

Hydration:

- We actively encourage each child to bring their own water bottle and encourage them to drink throughout the day. We will replenish these as required.
- We encourage them to also drink at meal and snack times



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- It is parents/carers responsibility to ensure that children have had sunscreen applied before they come to playschool. For children who are staying with us all day, we ask parents to give permission for us to use a bottle we supply with which we will apply in the afternoon. We acquire signed permission to apply suncream within our registration documents.

Alerts

The Manager will check for alerts that come via e-mail and respond/act in regard to the temperature.

If a Level 3 heatwave alert is announced, we will check the room temperature at least 4 times a day and record it in order that we will maintain the room temperature to be below 26 degrees.

This policy was created by the Early Years Manager: Debbie Arnett and adopted by Hartfield Playschool staff and Trustees in September 2018.

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