



SunSmart Policy

At the Little Pennies pre-school we acknowledge the importance of sun protection and want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with staff, parents and children to achieve this through:

EDUCATION – these measures are in place:

- The children will be educated in staying safe in the sun during circle time.
- We are adding a Mr Sun song to those we normally sing around this time of the year.
- Parents and Guardians will be sent a letter explaining what we are doing about sun protection and how they can help at the beginning of the summer term and during the summer holidays.

PROTECTION – this is more of an ongoing process.

Shade:

- We will encourage children to sit/play in the shade where it is available.
- We will be erecting a shade sail which is 98% UV protection, this will cover a large area of the lawn.
- We have a shaded area for activities on the under-cover decking.

Timetabling:

- Due to the free-flow nature of the pre-school, on particularly hot days children will be encouraged to seek out shade.

Clothing:

- Children are required to wear hats that cover their ears, face and neck between the hours of 11.00am and 3.00pm
- We have some spare pre-school hats to loan to those children who forget to bring in their own.
- Children are encouraged to wear tops that cover their shoulders, vests and strappy tops are discouraged.

Sunscreen:

- We will send letters home asking for permission for all members of staff to assist children in re-applying sunscreen before lunch time during sunny days.
- A universal sunscreen will be used on all children, unless in the case of allergies, parents will need to supply their own (in a clearly labelled bottle)

This policy was developed with guidance obtained from the SunSmart cancer research UK policy guidelines and will be reviewed annually.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Trustees held on

and was checked and re-affirmed on

Signed on behalf of The Little Pennies Pre-School

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