



## SUN PROTECTION POLICY

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1.0	May 2009	Checked against PSLA guidelines
1.1	May 2009	Small amendments re hats & sun cream
1.2	July 2009	Small amendment

### Statement of Intent

At Lydiard Millicent Pre-school we want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We will use the sunny weather as an opportunity to educate the children about how to keep themselves safe in the sun.

### EYFS key themes and commitments

A Unique Child	Positive Relationships	Enabling Environments	Learning and Development
1.4 Health and well-being	2.2 Parents as partners 2.4 Key person	3.2 Supporting every child	

#### Education:

All children will be given a talk about how we need to look after our skin and protect it from the sun's harmful rays. The message will be re-enforced particularly in the summer term.

#### Shade:

The garden area is quite open and the amount of shade is limited. During hot, sunny weather we will emphasise the importance of covering exposed skin with large hats and long sleeves and stress the benefits of wearing sun cream and drinking water. Gazebos cover the outdoor sand and water areas for extra protection.

#### Clothing:

All children will be required to wear a hat when playing outside in the sun. We have spare sun hats to lend to children who have forgotten theirs. We will also encourage children to cover very exposed areas of the skin, such as shoulders. Staff will set a good example by the clothing they wear in the sun.

#### Sunscreen:

- We ask parents to apply waterproof sun cream to their child before they come to pre-school during the summer months.
- Children staying all day must bring a named bottle of waterproof sun cream to pre-school each day. These are to be placed in the tray provided, next to the children's water bottles.
- All parents of children who stay all day will be asked to sign a consent form giving staff permission to re-apply this sun cream when necessary. This will usually be at lunchtime.
- Children who are not wearing sun cream will not be allowed outside to play. Children who stay all day who do not have a bottle of sun cream for re-application at lunchtime will not be allowed outside after lunch.

#### Sunglasses:

A named pair of UV protection sunglasses is recommended and children will be encouraged to wear them for outdoor play in sunny conditions.