

Padfield Community Primary School Sun Safety Policy

Aims

The aim of this sun safety policy is to protect children and staff from skin damage caused by the effects of ultraviolet radiation from the sun.

To ensure that children and staff are protected from skin damage caused by the harmful ultra-violet rays in sunlight.

Sunscreen

Our school will:

- Actively remind parents to ensure that their child bring quality sunscreen to school labelled with their name.
- Make available additional sunscreen for events and school trips where children may have forgotten, lost or run out of theirs.
- We actively encourage pupils to apply sunscreen when UV levels reach 3 or above before extended periods outside.
- Children should be taught how to apply their own sunscreen by their parents or carers with assistance only being required in exceptional circumstances.

Clothing

Our school will:

- Actively remind parents to ensure their child brings an appropriate sun hat to school labelled with their name – baseball caps are not recommended
- Make available additional sun hats for events and school trips where children may have forgotten or lost theirs.
- We actively encourage pupils to wear their sun hats when UV levels reach 3 or above before extended periods outside.
- We ensure pupils wear school and PE uniforms that keep shoulders covered. Sunglasses are optional for break and playtimes.

Shade

Our school will:

- Encourage children to sit in the shade of a tree or use the shaded garden area when UV levels are very high.
- Consider future shade needs and investigate opportunities for improving shade in the playground.

Monitoring UV

Our school will:

- Monitor UV levels during warmer months to ensure that sun safety measures are implemented when needed.

Staff

Our school will:

- Ask staff to role model good sun safety behaviours.

- Ensure that all staff are actively involved in the implementation of this policy.

Education

Our school will:

- Ensure that children are educated annually on sun safety in assemblies and/or lessons.

Community

Our school will:

- Communicate sun safety information through a range of channels including our website, newsletters, assemblies, staff meetings.

The school will monitor and review the effectiveness of this policy every year.

Date policy agreed:

Review Date:

Signed: _____ Signed: _____

Chair of Governors

Headteacher