

# Seaford Primary School



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## Seaford Primary School Sun Protection Policy (September 2021)

### Rationale

At Seaford Primary School, we want staff and pupils to enjoy the sun safely. We believe that Sun Safety is important to ensure that children and staff are protected from skin damage caused by the harmful ultraviolet rays in sunlight. We will work with staff, pupils and parents to achieve this.

### Education

- All children will learn about sun safety and protecting their skin through story times and RSHE lessons.
- Parents are informed of our Sun Protection Policy and asked to provide hats and sunscreen.
- Staff training will take place to ensure that they are aware of sun safety in April.
- Children will be spoken to about the importance of drinking more water when it is hot and will be encouraged to bring water to school and to make use of drinking fountains.
- We will remind parents at the appropriate time of year about the dangers of sun exposure and preventative measures.
- We will hold outdoor activities in areas of shade whenever possible, and encourage children to use shady areas during breaks, lunch hours, sports and trips.
- We will regularly remind children, staff and parents about sun safety through newsletters, letters regarding visits and activities for pupils.

### Shade

- Children will be encouraged to use shady parts of the playground.
- Umbrellas on the picnic tables will be used at lunchtime and both playtimes to provide shade.
- We will work towards increasing the provision of adequate shade for everybody.
- Children will be encouraged to use the shade during trips out and on sports days.

### Clothing

- We will actively encourage all children to wear a sunhat with protective back flap when playing outside.
- We will encourage staff and parents to act as good role models by practising sun safety,

### Sunscreen

- We will encourage parents to apply sunscreen before school – high factor - all day cream, if possible. (Due to various skin conditions & allergies, we do not have a stock of sunscreen in school).
- We will inform parents of sunscreen use for trips out and special outdoor events such as sports day.



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