

SUN PROTECTION POLICY

AT SWINEMOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL WE WANT ALL CHILDREN AND STAFF TO ENJOY SPENDING TIME OUTSIDE SAFELY WITHOUT THE RISK OF THE HARMFUL EFFECTS OF THE SUN. WE WORK WITH STAFF, CHILDREN AND PARENTS TO ACHIEVE THIS THROUGH A VARIETY OF WAYS.

Children are taught about the harmful effects of the sun, and how to promote sun safety in age-appropriate ways, through various aspects of the curriculum

Sun Safety:

- On sunny days, supervising staff will remind children of the need to seek shade at regular intervals during breaks, lunchtimes and sporting events.
- Parents will be reminded to encourage their child to apply sunscreen prior to attending school (ideally SPF25+ and one that provides all day protection)
- Pupils in Key Stage 2 may bring in a bottle of sun cream for application during the day, when necessary. This must be clearly labelled and handed in to a member of staff at the start of the school day. Children in Key Stage 2 should be able to apply this without adult assistance.
- Parents will be asked to provide suitable clothing and hats (ideally wide brimmed so that much of the face is shaded)
- Pupils will be encouraged to drink plenty of water during hot, sunny weather

For children in Foundation and Key Stage 1 who have access to outdoor provision throughout the school day:

• Parents are encouraged to send in a clearly labelled (with child's name) bottle of sunscreen. Staff will supervise and encourage children to apply the sunscreen on exposed areas by themselves but will offer assistance where necessary.

Educational/Off-site visits:

Staff need to remember to take care when taking the children taken out of school for visits or other events. Suitable clothing, hats and sunscreen must be taken as well as spare sunscreen for reapplication. Staff will also need to consider whether the venue they are travelling to will have sufficient shaded area for the children.

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