Sun Protection Policy

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Date of next review: January 2024

Reviewed by: **Jayne Staves**

This policy will be reviewed sooner if there is a change to legislation or guidance which may affect it.

At Whitecross Nursery School we want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with staff and parents to achieve this through:

EDUCATION – these measures are in place:

- All children will have a group time discussion about sun safety at the start of the summer term.
- At the beginning of the summer term (or if a period of hot weather occurs outside of the usual warmer months), we will be in touch with parents and carers to inform them of our sun protection policy and provide them with practical guidance regarding our procedures and how they can help.
- Our school prospectus informs parents/carers about clothing and sun cream.

PROTECTION

Shade:
We have a large willow tree in the outdoor area by the sand pit.
A canopy was fitted to the purple room in spring 2011.

Clothing:
We encourage all children to wear a hat, short sleeved clothing, practical footwear and sunglasses when playing outside during warmer weather.
We provide sun hats for children who have forgotten their own.

Sunscreen:
Our school prospectus and a letter which is sent out in the Spring term asks parents/carers to apply sun cream at home before arriving at nursery. For those children who attend for full days we ask them to bring their own bottle of Factor 50+ sunscreen clearly labelled with their name and to be placed in their child's pigeon hole for midday staff to apply.
When their children start nursery all parents/carers are asked to fill in a consent form giving their permission to allow our midday supervisors to apply sun cream at lunchtime (for those children who attend all day).

This policy was developed with the help of staff, governors and the local health authority.

Links to:

Administering Medicines Policy
Allegations Against Staff Policy
Child Protection & Safeguarding Policy
Health and Safety Policy