

26. Sun Safety

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Relevant staff know the requirements and have a clear understanding of their roles and responsibilities in relation to this policy.

Statement of Intent:

We will work with staff and parents/guardians to achieve sun safety.

Policy:

Sallywags requests that parents/guardians:

- Apply sun cream to their child/children before they attend the Service. It is the responsibility of the parents to apply sun cream to their child/children.
- Provide a sunhat for children.
- Provide sun cream so it can be applied later in the day as required.

Sallywags will ensure that:

- On very hot days children will have reduced exposure to sunlight.
- Where possible, children can seek shade when outside in the sun.
- Ensure that children will wear a sunhat if provided by the parent.

We will work towards Sun safety through the following:

Education:

- Discussion with the older children about the sun and the need for protection.
- Letter to be sent to parents/guardians and guardians with regard to sun cream and protection.
- Time spent in discussion at staff meetings about sun safety in the garden.

Protection:

- A covered area provides shade in the outdoors.

Timetabling:

- Children will spend more time playing outside before 11.00am and after 3.00pm, and less time over lunchtime.

Clothing:

- We will actively encourage all children to wear a hat when playing outside – for any length of time.
- A small supply of hats will be available for those children who have forgotten their own.

Drinks:

- Water will be available at all times in the classroom.
- Water will also be available in the garden while children are playing.

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