



SUN PROTECTION POLICY

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At Billingshurst Primary School we want everyone to enjoy the sun safely. We work with staff, children and parents to achieve this through:

Education

We will talk about sun protection in assemblies at the start of the summer term or earlier if the weather dictates.

Parents and guardians will be sent a letter explaining what the school is doing about sun protection and how they can help.

Protection

Shade:

- To make use of the trees in and around the playground area.
- To use the free-shading permanent shade canopies outside the classroom areas.
- To use sun umbrellas when undertaking organised activities outside.

Timetabling:

- The sports day will start at 9.30 and end at 11.00 so as to run in the cooler part of the morning.

Clothing:

- We will encourage clearly named hats to be worn during outside activities – preferably wide brimmed or legionnaire style.
- The wearing of a uniform shirt provides protection by covering shoulders.
- Non-glass UV protective sunglasses can be worn at school and are the child's responsibility.

Sunscreen:

- Parents would be encouraged to apply sunscreen on their children before they come into school if they wish.
- Sunscreen use will be encouraged on school trips and staff will remind the children to re-apply during breaks.
- When in school, each child will take responsibility to apply its own sunscreen.
- A small container of sunscreen (preferable factor 15 or above), which is clearly labelled, can be kept at school, but will be the responsibility of the child.