

CHARSFIELD & DENNINGTON C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOLS

SUN PROTECTION POLICY

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SUN PROTECTION POLICY

We acknowledge the importance of sun protection, and we want staff and pupils to enjoy the sun safely. We shall work with staff and parents to achieve this in the following ways:

- We will help pupils be aware of the need to take care of their skin when they are outdoors in strong sunshine.
- We will encourage pupils to play in the shade when the sun is strong.
- We will encourage pupils to wear hats to protect their faces, ears and necks when outdoors in strong sunshine.
- Parents will be sent a letter explaining what we are doing about sun protection and how they can help during the summer months. The letter will invite parents to give their consent to the application of sunscreen during the school day as necessary, and parents will be asked to provide their chosen sunscreen to be kept at school, clearly named.
- Self application of sunscreen by pupils is the preferred option and practical in most circumstances; however, for the very youngest and children with special education needs, sunscreen may be applied by members of staff.
- Staff may agree to apply sunscreen on a voluntary basis as they are not contractually obliged to do so.
- Where staff applies sunscreen it will only be applied to face, neck, legs and arms.

The five key skin cancer prevention messages as:

- 1. Stay in the shade whenever possible
- 2. Make sure you never burn
- 3. Always cover up wear a t-shirt, hat and wraparound sunglasses
- 4. Remember children burn more easily
- 5. Then use factor 30+ sunscreen.

We shall monitor our implementation of this policy and review it bi-annually. See Letter to Parents and Consent Reply Form.



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Website: www.charsfieldprimaryschool.org.uk

Executive Headteacher: Mr M. Taylor

Date

Dear Parent

Sun Protection Policy

Now that summer is approaching, I am writing to tell you about our Sun Protection Policy. The purpose of the policy is to ensure that any sunshine which summer brings can be safely enjoyed.

Children's skin is sensitive and it is important for us to help children care for their skin and avoid damage which might lead to problems in later life. We shall therefore:

- discuss sun protection with all pupils.
- encourage all children to wear a hat when they play outside: Please provide your child with a comfortable wide-brimmed hat or legionnaire style cap (marked with the child's name).
- ensure that pupils are protected by sunscreen by checking that pupils apply sunscreen for themselves or by applying sunscreen for those pupils who need help.

Please send a supply of sunscreen (at least factor 30+) clearly labelled with your child's name so that the sunscreen can be used in school as needed. Please note that we **CANNOT** apply sunscreen to children without a consent form.

Please complete and return the accompanying sunscreen consent form **only** if you feel your child needs help applying sunscreen.

Also accompanying this form is a copy of the Sun Protection Policy.

Yours sincerely

M.Taylor

Mr M.Taylor Executive Headteacher



Sun Protection Consent Reply Form

Pupil's Name
I give consent for the above pupil to be helped as needed in the application of sunscreen, in accordance with the school's Sun Protection Policy.
With this form I am sending a supply of sunscreen (at least factor 30+) clearly labelled with the pupil's name.
Parent's Signature
Parent's Name
Date