

# Sun Safety Policy



**Summer 2017**

Eastway Primary School are committed to promoting Sun Safety to ensure that children and staff are protected from sun damage caused by harmful ultra-violet rays in sunlight.

## **Rational**

Too much exposure to ultraviolet light UV radiation from the sun causes sunburn, skin damage and increases the risk of skin cancer. Sun exposure for the first 15 years of life contributes to the significantly to the lifetime risk of skin cancer.

## **Aims**

The main aims of the policy are:-

- Protection: providing an environment that enables pupils and staff to stay safe in the sun
- Education: learning about sun safety to increase knowledge and influence behaviour
- Role modelling: Encourage staff and parents to act as good role models by practising sun safety
- Partnership: working with parents/carers, governors, school nurse to reinforce awareness about sun safety and promote a healthy school

As part of our Sun Safety policy we will:

- Educate children throughout the curriculum about the causes of skin cancer and how to protect their skin
- Encourage children to wear clothes that provide good sun protection and use sun screens where appropriate
- Seek shade, particularly in the middle of the day and to use shady areas during breaks, lunchtimes and trips
- Regularly remind children, staff and parents about sun safety through newsletters, posters and activities for pupils
- Drink plenty of water during hot, sunny weather

Early Years / Foundation 1 and 2 Parental Consent Form

**Consent to apply sunscreen**

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_

✓

<input type="checkbox"/>	I give consent for Eastway staff to apply sunscreen to my child
<input type="checkbox"/>	I do not give consent for Eastway staff to apply sunscreen to my child

Does your child have any known allergies to sunscreen

YES / NO

If YES please supply details

**I understand that sun screen should be applied at home in the morning before school.**

Parent / Carer signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_