

SUN SAFE: FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS

OVERVIEW

Skin cancer is one of the most common forms of cancer in the UK and the number of cases is rising. Most skin cancers are caused by excess exposure to UV radiation from the sun. If we can protect our children from the sun then we can reduce the risk.

AIMS

Our aims are:

- To protect our children from the harmful effects of the sun as much as possible during the school day
- To help our children develop Sun Safe habits

STRATEGIES

In order to achieve our aims our school:

Education

- Ensures that all pupils will have at least one Sun Safe lesson per year.
- Ensures that there is an assembly about being Sun Safe at the beginning of the summer term.
- Has a Sun Safe council made up of children, staff and parents.
- Sends parents and guardians information at the beginning of the summer term explaining what the school is doing about sun protection and how they can help.
- Ensures that all staff are provided with up to date information about being Sun Safe at the end of the Easter term.

Protection

- Encourages all children to wear a school sunhat during the summer term.
- Encourages parents to apply an appropriate sun screen to their child(ren) before school.
- Encourages parents to apply an appropriate sun screen to their children prior to school trips during the summer term.
- Encourages staff to wear hats when on playground duty and during sports lessons during the summer term.
- Provides shaded areas on both the top and the bottom playgrounds.
- Moves seats and equipment to shaded areas during the summer months.
- Makes use of the shaded areas during organised activities.

Collaboration

- Works with parents, governors, health agencies and the wider community to reinforce awareness about sun safety and promote a healthy school.

OUTCOMES

All of our children are supported to develop positive Sun Safe behaviours.

MONITORING EVALUATION REVIEW

The School Leadership Team and the Governing Body monitor the effectiveness, efficiency and impact of this policy annually.

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