



## Mersey Park Primary School Sun Protection Policy

At Mersey Park Primary School we acknowledge the importance of sun protection and want staff and pupils to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with staff, pupils and parents to achieve this through:

### EDUCATION -:

- All pupils will have at least one SunSmart/ Sun Safety lesson per year.
- We will talk about how to be SunSmart in assemblies during the summer term and before summer break.
- Parents and guardians will be sent a letter explaining what the school is doing about sun protection and how they can help during the summer term.
- Staff are sent updated government guidance on Sun Safety.

PROTECTION – this is an ongoing process.

### Shade:

- When the sun is strong we will encourage pupils to sit/play in the shade where it is available.
- We have some shaded areas under trees and canopies.
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### Clothing:

- Midday supervisors will wear t-shirts during lunchtimes rather than vest tops.
- When outside in sunny weather, children will be asked to wear hats that cover the ears, face and neck.
- Spare hats available for pupils who do not bring a hat into school on sunny days.

### Sunscreen:

- Sunscreen use will be encouraged on days when the sun is strong during summer at lunch breaks, during PE lessons and on school trips. Parents will be asked to apply 'all day protection' sun cream to their children prior to coming to school.
- We will keep spare sun cream in school to be used as necessary. Parental permission will be sought before sun cream is used and children will be asked to apply it themselves.

We will monitor our progress and review the policy annually.