



Woodham Mortimer Pre-School
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PROMOTING HEALTH AND HYGIENE

General Welfare Requirement: Safeguarding and Promoting Children’s Welfare

The Pre-School must promote the good health of the children, take necessary steps to prevent the spread of infection, and take appropriate action when they are ill

1.21 – SUN POLICY

POLICY STATEMENT

The Pre-School takes very seriously the health and safety of the children in its care. We acknowledge the advice given by Cancer Research UK and in particular its SunSmart campaign

EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE KEY THEMES AND COMMITMENTS

A Unique Child	Positive Relationships	Enabling Environments	Learning and Development
1.4 Health and well-being	2.1 Respecting each other	3.2 Supporting every child	N/A

PROCEDURES

We aim to protect all children and adults of the Pre-School when out in the sun and help educate the children in safe behaviour in the sun.

We will:

- Ensure that all children are adequately clothed in appropriate sun wear. This should consist of short sleeved t-shirt and a floppy, wide brimmed hat or legionnaire style cap
- Ensure that all children have had sunscreen applied before playing out
- In accordance with Cancer Research UK guidance we recommend the use of only factor 15 and above sunscreen
- Where children are not adequately protected we will take steps to adapt our activities in order to protect them
- We will keep a supply of factor 15 or above sunscreen on the premises, to be used in an emergency by parents who have forgotten to apply it before arrival at the Pre-School. Parents should inform us on the Registration Form if their child has an allergy to sunscreen
- Ensuring that any outdoor play is, where possible, not during the hottest times of the day
- When appropriate we will provide a shaded area to protect the children whilst they play

- When there are sufficient staff to support simultaneous indoor and outdoor play, we ensure that the children can access the indoor play area at all times so that they can choose to continue their play indoors. When only 3 members of staff are on duty this is not possible, however, we ensure that there are adequate shaded areas
- Ensure that there is an adequate supply of fresh drinking water available and that the children know how to access it if they feel thirsty or hot, and that cool drinks are available regularly during hot weather
- Ensure that safe sun behaviour is modelled by the staff of the Pre-School eg. by using sunscreen and wearing a hat, providing a positive role model to all the children
- Remind parents / carers regularly in our spring / summer newsletters that sunscreen should be applied to their child / children before school and to remember to bring a hat for their child / children

This Policy was adopted at a meeting of the Woodham Mortimer Pre-School Committee

Date of Meeting

Next Review Date

January 2011

**Signed on Behalf of Woodham
Mortimer Pre-School**

Name of Signatory

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Role of Signatory

Chairperson – Woodham Mortimer Pre-School Committee