

Hilderthorpe Primary School

Sun Protection Policy

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At Hilderthorpe 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 in all year groups will participate in learning about sun safety.

- We will talk about how to be SunSmart in assemblies at appropriate times.
- Parents and guardians will be sent a letter explaining what the school is doing about sun protection and how they can help..
- Information on sun safety will be provided in the staff room.

Protection

Shade:

- When the sun is strong we will encourage pupils to sit/play in the shade where available.
- We have a free standing sun canopy for staff and pupils to use when outside.
- The Jubilee garden provides a shaded space for outdoor learning.
- A canopy and shade from trees are available in the EYFS

Timetabling

- Parents will be informed when PE days are so that they can provide suncream and hat for these lessons.
- Sun hats will be permitted for PE lessons if the weather is sunny.

Clothing

- When outside in sunny weather, children will be encouraged to wear a hat that covers face, ears and neck.
- Our PE kit is a t-shirt so that it covers shoulders.
- Staff are encouraged to wear hats when on duty and teaching outdoors on sunny days.

Sunscreen

- Parents will be encouraged to apply long lasting sunscreen before the children attend school
 in the morning (At least SPF15) and are requested to ensure that children have had their first
 application of sunscreen in the morning. School will not apply the first application on arrival,
 so this needs to be completed at home.
- Parents may send sunscreen in the original container, labelled with the child's name, into school. Staff will encourage but not be responsible for applying children's sunscreen throughout the day.
- Pupils will apply sunscreen themselves, but will be supervised by an adult when doing so.
- School will not supply sunscreen due to allergies, but will permit children to bring and apply their own sunscreen.
- Sunscreen will be stored safely in the classrooms and will be distributed by an adult only (with the youngest children) to ensure the children use the correct sunscreen. Children will not be permitted to use their peers due to potential allergies.

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Chair of Governing Body:	Rev A White	Date:	June 2025