

LETHBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUN PROTECTION POLICY

At Lethbridge Primary School we want staff and pupils to enjoy the sun safely. Our policy is based on the SunSmart guidelines from UK Cancer Research. We will work with staff, pupils and parents to achieve this through:

EDUCATION: these measures are in place from now on:

- All pupils will discuss how to stay safe in the sun in class
- We will talk about how to be safe in the sun in assemblies at the start of the summer term
- Parents and guardians will be sent reminders about sun protection as necessary
- Staff will be reminded about sun protection at the start of the summer term and prompted to talk to pupils

PROTECTION:

Shade: the school will seek ways of improving the amount of shade where possible

- The school has three shade canopies, one for each area of the school
- The Foundation Stage outdoor learning area is covered
- The octagons can be used as shade
- There are shady areas in the playground and on the rec

Timetabling:

- The school will endeavour to timetable school sports days for mornings
- The school will try to ensure that children are not exposed to sun (strong UV) during lunchtimes and afternoon PE sessions for more than 20 minutes without shade breaks

Clothing:

- Parents will be encouraged to send their child to school in suitable sun hats
- Parents will be asked to dress children in suitable clothing-avoiding sleeveless tops
- Sports T shirts should not be sleeveless and we recommend sleeved garments where possible

Sunscreen:

- We cannot currently supply sunscreen to all pupils on a daily basis because of cost
- We encourage parents to apply 8 hour sunscreen before school starts if possible
- Sunscreen use will be encouraged on school trips and staff will be provided with extra sunscreen in case children forget their own

We will monitor our progress and review the policy annually.

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