



Abbey School **Sun Safety Policy**

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Abbey school believes in sun safety.

In order to give as much protection as possible against the dangers from the sun we are agreed on the following procedures.

- Where appropriate in the curriculum, children shall be taught about ways to protect their skins from the sun.
- As part of our dress code, children are encouraged not to come to school in unsuitable clothing.
 - This means pupils should wear school uniform but be encouraged to only wear polo shirts.
 - Pupils are also encouraged to wear hats whilst outdoors.
 - Children will not be allowed to change into PE or beach type clothing at break times.
- Sunbathing is not allowed during the school day.
- Staff will ensure pupils are in the shade or will keep them indoors if necessary.
- We will aim to provide shade.
- When the sun is extremely hot, teachers will use their own judgement whether or not to hold their PE lesson or break time outside.
- Consider potential sun exposure when planning school trips.
- Parents are asked to send in sun cream for their child. This must be labelled with their child's name. Children are not allowed to share sun cream.
- Wherever possible, try to involve parents/guardians in policy/decision making re sun safety e.g parents group.
- Pupils will also be encouraged to drink plenty of water if participating in any physical activity during warm periods.

Future developments

1. In the September and April of each year, send a reminder letter and texts to parents re sun safety especially where there has been warnings regarding the weather for that week.
2. To facilitate the selling of hats if enough parents are interested for us to make an order.