



SUN SMART POLICY

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STATEMENT

Goals

The Sun Smart policy at Lockleys Primary School aims to:

- Increase student and community awareness of skin cancer
- Adopt practical sun protection measures
- Develop strategies, which encourage responsible decision making about sun protection
- Work towards a safe school environment, which provides shade for students and staff
- Encourage students, parents, teachers and staff to wear protective clothing, hats and sunscreen for high-risk times such as recess and lunch times, outdoor lessons and excursions
- Inform parents and caregivers of enrolling students of the school's Sun Smart Policy

Implementation

- Sun protection and skin cancer awareness programs are incorporated throughout the school's curriculum for all year levels, R- 7. This may be done in Health and PE, and Science as well as incidentally in other curriculum areas
- Teachers have access to up-to-date information on skin cancer and its prevention

Behaviour

- Students are required to wear sun protective hats and clothing for outdoor activities. These are the school broad brimmed, bucket or legionnaire hats and polo shirts. They are a part of our uniform and all students are expected to wear the school uniform.
- Sun smart clothing and hats are required on casual days
- Staff are required to wear hats while on duty
- Parents are encouraged to wear hats through newsletters especially at working bees, sports days or on school excursions
- Students and staff are actively encouraged to apply sunscreen regularly. SPF 30+ is provided in each classroom and students are encouraged to use it

School Organisation

- Our school is working towards both increasing and maintaining shade in our grounds for student and community use
- Playgrounds are covered by 98% UV shade cloth. Trees, shelter shed and verandas are made available for students to sit under for shade
- Lunch-time play is conducted in classrooms on days of extreme heat (36 degrees plus). Recess play time is reduced to 10 minutes.
- Wherever possible PE/Sport is scheduled during off peak UV radiation times (before 10:00 am) or in shaded areas such as the gymnasium
- Swimming lessons are held in an enclosed swimming pool. For Aquatics, students are encouraged to wear T shirt, hat and sunscreen
- On excursions it is a requirement that students wear suitable hats, clothing and sunscreen
- In extreme weather conditions students are required to stay indoors during lunch and recess
- The sun smart message is reinforced in classrooms, at assemblies and in newsletters
- Students who do not have a hat at playtime are directed to stay in a designated shade area
- Students who do not have a hat for outdoor learning activities are asked to borrow a spare hat so they can participate
- **Hat must be worn for all outdoor activities from 1st September through to 30th April and whenever the UV Index levels reach 3 and above.** Outside of these dates, and when the UV level is below 3, hats are not required to help maintain vitamin D during winter.
- Wraparound sunglasses, meeting Australian Standard 1067, may be worn during outdoor activities.

- School monitors UV levels by accessing UV App and / or website on a daily basis.
- Our Policy can be accessed in the School Handbook and is available on the school website.

Monitoring and Evaluation

The Sun Smart policy is to be reviewed and updated on an annual basis

Signed and Endorsed by:

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