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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to tell you about our Sun Protection Policy that has been developed with the help of key advisors from Public Health, Health and Safety and Head teachers in order to ensure that we can all enjoy the sun safely over the coming months.

The sun's rays are particularly strong between April and September and can damage children's skin. This may not seem like a problem right now, but it can lead to skin cancer in later life. Your child's health and well-being are very important to us, which is why we have decided to:

- Increase the amount of school time spent learning about sun protection
- Encourage children to use the shaded areas on the playground
- Encourage pupils to wear hats when outside
- Encourage pupils to use at least SPF 15 sunscreen
- Ensure that pupils have 4 to 5 glasses of water a day
- Give consideration to the timing of outdoor activities

If the policy is going to work we need your support. You can help by:

- Talking to your child about the importance of sun protection at home
- Sending your child to school with a hat
- Apply sunscreen, at least SPF 15, to exposed areas including the nose and tops of ears in the morning before attending school

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Mrs P McGuffie

Headteacher







