



SUNSMART POLICY

The Bull Creek Primary School Sun Smart Policy has been adopted to ensure that all staff and students are protected from skin damage caused by the harmful UV rays from the sun. It is to be implemented throughout the year. The sun protection practices outlined in this policy will be applied to all school activities, including sports carnivals, excursions, and camps. The policy has been developed in consultation with the school community.

Behaviour

1. The school will require students to wear broad-brimmed hats when they are outside.
2. Staff are requested and encouraged to wear broad-brimmed hats when outside.
3. Ensure that children without a hat are directed to a play area which is protected from the sun e.g. Undercover area. NO HAT- SEEK SHADE
4. Encourage positive role modelling of sun protective behaviour by all school staff, parents, and guests.
5. Encourage children to use available shade for play.
6. *Encourage broad-brimmed hats to be worn at school.*
7. Sunscreen should be applied prior to students arriving at school and will be made available for students during school hours.

Sunscreen

- *Sunscreen is available and accessible to all staff and students. The school will budget for the purchase of sunscreen for every class.*
- *Booklist- Parents will be requested to supply roll on sunscreen for individual use by their child each year as of 2024.*
- *The use of SPF30 or higher broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen is required before outdoor activities. Time is given to apply sunscreen and reapplication after 2 hours is encouraged during extended outdoor periods.*
- *Sun protection is encouraged through teacher and parent role modelling and classroom activities.*
- *Sunscreen is available throughout the school and its use is encouraged.*

Curriculum

1. Incorporate sun protection and skin cancer prevention programs into the school curriculum at all year levels.
2. Promote sun protection throughout the year via the school newsletter, assemblies, and daily messages.

Environment

1. Continue to develop the provision for shaded areas within the school grounds for students and staff e.g. planting trees, building shade structures.
2. Provide shade for all children and staff at sporting carnivals.
3. Display SunSmart School sign at the front of the administration block.

Evaluation

The effectiveness of this policy will be reviewed in accordance with Cancer Council WA guidelines (2011).

Bull Creek is currently recognised as a SunSmart School. The next renewal date is 6 May 2025.

Signed

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Principal

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Board Chair

Ratified by the School Board: Date: 4 September 2024

Review Date: 2025