



WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY PROCEDURE

Sun Safety Guidelines

1.0 PURPOSE

The school community, including families, work together to take all reasonable actions to protect students from risks of harm that can be reasonably predicted due to ultraviolet radiation from the sun.

2.0 ACTIONS

- To plan and implement effective actions on sun safety in our school.
- Assists to provide a safe environment for students and staff by reducing exposure to ultraviolet radiation and increasing adoption of evidence-based sun safe strategies.
- Assist our school community to make a significant contribution to reducing the incidence and burden of later skin cancer and related skin damage in children and young people.

3.0 ACTION PLAN

Curriculum activities (PDHPE & Sport)

Students and staff

- a. Have access to **SPF50+** sunscreen
- b. Model suitable hat wear when exposed to the sun and when appropriate

Extracurricular activity (Camps, Day Carnivals, Excursions, Walkathons)

Students and staff

- a. Have access to **SPF50+** sunscreen
- b. Model suitable hat wear when exposed to the sun and when appropriate

Non structured activity (Recess and Lunch)

Students and staff

- a. Have access to **SPF50+** sunscreen
- b. Wear suitable hat wear when exposed to the sun and when appropriate
- d. Encouraged to limit the time exposure in the sun

- Provide SPF 50+ sunscreen to every staffroom, selected location (Student Services) for students and staff to access and dispense when required or requested.
- Promote the requirement to wear the school hat as part of the uniform.
- Raise awareness through regular newsletter articles, student notices, year group meetings and whole school assemblies.
- Promote the importance of and encourage parents, teachers, support staff and volunteers to be role models for students.
- When reviewing school uniform design, consider sun protection.
- Continue to develop appropriate strategies to manage reported student non-compliance when participating in curriculum and extracurricular activities. Such strategies will be inclusive of parental involvement to support the matter.
- Staff and community members to model desired practices through the wearing of a hat when outdoors.

4.0 OUTCOMES

Students, staff and parents will develop:

- Positive attitudes towards skin protection
- Lifestyle practices which can help reduce the incidence of skin cancer and the number of related deaths
- Personal responsibility for, and decision making about, skin protection
- Awareness of the need for further environmental improvements in our school to reduce the level of exposure to the sun.