



North Wolds Federation

Sun Safety

October 2022



Our **inclusive school community** puts our **Christian values** at its core and endeavours to develop all members to be **wise, happy and spiritually** aware individuals who can achieve their **dreams and goals**.

Working with our **local community**, we **care for** and educate each person, **respecting individual differences**.

As Jesus welcomed all, so we **welcome everyone** into our school and strive to send them out prepared to be **good citizens** in today's **diverse society**.

We are preparing for a brighter tomorrow.

Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it. (Proverbs 22:6)

Caring, Respect, Co-operation, Commitment to Achieve, Honesty, Fairness



Our **inclusive school** is at the heart of our **small community** where all families feel **welcome, valued** and **supported** as friends.

Working with our local **community**, children leave us ready for their next learning adventure, as **well-rounded** citizens with the skills, knowledge and the **confidence** to be happy and successful for the rest of their lives.

We nourish their bodies and characters with our school **values** of respect, cooperation, independence, care, happiness and commitment to achieve.

We ensure they have the armour of our **love** and **guidance** to be the best version of themselves and carry that forward with their actions towards others

Caring, Respect, Commitment to Achieve, Co-operation, Happiness, Independence

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Chair of Governors Signature: Approved Via Governor Hub
Policy Review Date : 10/2025

PURPOSE

In accordance with our approach to ensuring children are safe and stay healthy the school has identified the need for a policy on staying safe in the sun.

PROCEDURES

During the months of April to October, children and staff are at greater risk of exposure to the sun. The school is aware of national concerns over the risk of sunburn and skin cancer and take these issues seriously. We encourage children to play outside and staff to make use of opportunities to support children's learning using our outside environment and therefore the following procedures are in place to minimise any risk to children, visitors and staff.

All parents are requested to ensure their children come to school with sun cream already applied and follow our school uniform policy to keep children covered up. All children are encouraged to bring a sun hat to school, preferably a style which offers protection to the neck. Parents are asked to supply sun cream when the sun could pose a danger. The cream should clearly be labelled with their child's name. Staff will store the sun cream in a safe place for our younger children. Staff will direct children to apply sun cream when they deem it necessary. The school cannot be held responsible for out of date sun cream or for cream that does not offer adequate protection. Children cannot share other children's sun cream. It must be noted though that staff **must not** apply sun cream.

Lunch and Break Times

MSAs will take sensible precautions during the lunch break to ensure children make use of natural shade on days when it would be unsafe for children to remain in the sun for the duration of lunch time. MSAs will encourage children to make use of the natural shade during the summer months.

Outdoor P.E. , educational visits and sports day

- Children will be encouraged to wear a sun hat for all outside activities.
- All outdoor P.E. sessions will be reduced in length or moved to a shaded area if the sun poses a danger. Sessions will be no longer than 50 minutes and if staff feel it necessary, will take some time during the session to ensure children take a 10 min break in the shade.
- On sports days, if necessary, children will take a break in the shade. This will usually be half way through the session when the children are given a drink of water.
- The same principles will apply for educational visits.

Collective Worship and Lessons

- Children are frequently reminded of sun safety through whole school Collective Worship and in class.
- Children are encouraged to bring water bottles to school and drink throughout the day all year, but particularly on hot days.

Heatwaves

When a heatwave occurs, like that in July 2022, the school will put in place and communicate the additional measures to staff and parents that will keep children safe.

Monitoring, Evaluation and Review

The school will review this policy every 3 years and assess its implementation and effectiveness.