

STICKY FINGERS PRE-SCHOOL

15 - Sun Protection Policy

At Sticky Fingers Pre-School we want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with staff, committee and parents to achieve this through:-

Education

These measures are in place:

- At the beginning of the summer months, the children are shown 3 pictures showing a girl and boy wearing sun hats when the sun is shining, a bear applying sun cream saying “always apply sun cream, so that you skin does not get burnt by the sun” and a picture of a boy and girl playing in the garden under some shade.
- These pictures have been coloured and laminated and are on display in our book corner and are there to show the children and remind them of playing in the sun safely.
- Parents/carers will be sent out a letter explaining what we are doing about sun protection and how they can help at the beginning of the summer term.
- A sun protection poster will be on display on the parent/carers’ notice board for reference.

Protection

These measures are in place:

- We have trees for shade out on the playing field and there is lots of shade in our garden space. We have 2 benches with parasols to go in our own garden space.

Clothing

- We encourage all children to wear a hat when playing outside in the warmer months - May time onwards.
- We have spare Pre-School hats to give to children who forget their own.
- Staff also wear sun hats and sunglasses when outside to set a good example.

Sunscreen

- We will send letters out to parents/carers asking for permission for staff to supervise and apply sun screen if their child is unable to, before going outside during the summer months.
- All children are encouraged to apply sunscreen.
- Parents/carers are asked to provide their child with a bottle of sunscreen of minimum factor 30+ which is labelled clearly with their child’s name on it in their child’s bag.
- Parents/carers will be sent out a letter advising them to check sun cream lotion containing nut oils and avoiding these should there be a child within the group who has a peanut or tree nut allergy.

This policy was developed with the help of Staff, Committee and Cancer Research UK's SunSmart guidelines for Nurseries and Pre-Schools.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Sticky Fingers Pre-School Committee

Held On: 3rd October 2017

Signed on behalf of the Pre-School:

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Secretary: Cath Temple