

Sun Care Policy

At Happy Adventures Preschool we want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. Our aim is for staff and parents/guardians to work together to achieve this.

Protection

Please ensure that you provide a sun hat for your child as all children will need to wear a hat when playing outside in warm weather. We do have a limited supply of spare hats.

All parents/guardians are asked to apply sun protection for their children before they come to Preschool. Parents also need to provide a labelled bottle of sun cream.

All children that attend preschool for a full day will have their sun cream reapplied at the beginning of the afternoon session as well as whenever staff feel it is necessary.

When UV rays require it, a member of staff will ask parents to confirm that their child is wearing sun protection at the beginning of a session. It is the parent's responsibility to apply this before bringing them into preschool.

Your child's wellbeing is of the utmost importance to us so if your child does not have any sun cream, you will be asked to provide some or your child will not be accepted into preschool that day.

We ask that all children wear appropriate clothing on hot days e.g. loose fitting clothing that cover their shoulders.

Please note Preschool is not able to apply sun cream that is not brought in from home. If you would like to discuss, please ask a member of staff.

- On hot days, children will not access the outdoor area between 11am and 2.30pm unless there is a suitable shaded area available.
- Staff will make day to day decisions about the length of time spent outside dependant on the strength of the sun as indicated by the UV index. It is the responsibility of the most senior member of staff to check and record these at the beginning of each session. Staff will use the met office website to gain this information.
- Children will need to bring in a bottle of water each day and this will be available throughout the day for children to access independently. All children will be encouraged to drink regularly.

Staff liaise with parents to cater for the individual needs of each child. If a child requires additional sun protection, staff will work with parents to write a health care plan.