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**Registered Charity Number: 1158601 Ofsted No: EY485006**

**Sun Policy**

**Policy Statement**

We understand the need to protect children from the harm that may be caused by prolonged, unprotectedexposure to the hot sun. Therefore, we will take precautionary measures to minimise the risks to the children in our care.

**Procedures**

* Parents are requested to apply sun cream **before** their child comes to Pre-school. Our expectation is that this has happened, however, a sun register will be available for parents to complete, on arrival, to record whether cream has been applied and if the child has a named hat and named sun cream available.
* Named sun cream may be applied by a member of staff, if written permission is obtained from the parent/carer.
* Where there is a medical need for an individual child to have sun cream applied more frequently than 3 hourly, parents/carers must obtain a letter from their doctor stating this and we will follow the medical advice given.
* Parents are requested to send their child with a sun hat during spells of sunny weather. Paulerspury Pre-school hold a supply of hats and these may be used instead of their own.
* Parents are advised that the best protection for their child is for them to wear loose fitting clothing that fully covers arms and legs and that if they are worried that sun cream will not last until the end of the session this type of clothing is essential.
* If staff deem a child to be inadequately dressed the child in question may be kept indoors for their own protection.
* Shaded areas are provided throughout the outside area for the children to find some relief from the sun.
* In periods of extreme heat staff may choose to limit the amount of time any child can spend outside, either by recording the times individual children access the outside area or, more usually, by limiting the amount of time the outside area is available to the whole group.
* During periods of extreme heat drinking water will be available outside, in addition to inside the setting.
* The Manager, or Deputy Manager, will take responsibility for deciding what constitutes “extreme heat”. Advice will be sought from the relevant bodies as necessary.

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