

# Auriol Junior School Sun Safety Policy

## Rationale

***Auriol Junior School is committed to providing information and education about the risk posed by over exposure to the sun. Auriol takes seriously its duty to keep children educated and protected about the dangers and risks of the sun.***

***Auriol has written this policy to ensure that best practice and procedures are carried out at the school.***

## Aims of Policy

- To protect children, parents and staff against over exposure to ultraviolet radiation.*
- To promote the policy and sun safety strategies to children, parents, staff and the wider community.*

## Implementation of Policy

### Education and Information

- An assembly dedicated to sun safety will be held at the beginning of the summer term (or earlier if temperatures require this) to remind all children and staff of Auriol's sun policy. Staff will also be reminded in a staff meeting session.
- Staff and parents to be aware that sun protection can still be needed during the Autumn and Spring terms if temperatures are high.
- As part of the curriculum, the children will be educated about the dangers of over exposure to the sun and advice on how best to protect themselves against the sun's harmful rays. A child friendly version of this policy will also be shared with children.
- Posters and displays will be put up around the school advising how to protect children from over exposure to the sun.
- During the summer months we are aware that children are at a higher risk of sun burn, as the sun is at its strongest. Parents will be required to apply sun cream before school and children must have sun hats in school during the summer term (or earlier as required) for playtimes and outdoor activities. If children do not have sunhats, they may be unable to go outside at playtime or during P.E lessons.
- Children will be encouraged to drink water during the day to prevent dehydration.

### **Protection Shade**

- Children and staff will be made aware of the areas they should go to which provide shade. These include; under the canopy, shaded areas under the trees and the petal shelter. The music lodge will be opened on sunny days in the summer term if the weather is exceptionally hot.
- In extreme temperatures, children will be kept inside during playtimes.
- P.E sessions will be reviewed and adjustments will be made when the temperature is expected to be high.

### **Application of Sunscreen**

- Parents will be encouraged through newsletters and parent mails to put a high factor, long lasting sun cream on their children before they come to school.
- Children may self-apply sun cream during the day if their parents give written permission for this.

### **Parents 'Sunsafe' Checklist:**

- Ensure their child has a sun hat with them at all times.
- Ensure that sun cream is applied before school in the morning.
- Ensure their child has a fresh bottle of drinking water every day in school.

***Any questions or concerns regarding this policy should be made to a member of the Senior Leadership Team.***

<b>Date approved by SLT:</b>	Summer Term 1 2018
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<b>Responsibility:</b>	SLT