

-Health and Wellbeing

Sun Protection Policy

Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage 2014

Quote Reference: 3:2

'Providers must take all necessary steps to keep children safe and well'

Purpose of the Policy

The purpose of the policy is to ensure the Family Centre promotes sun safety and protect children in their care from over exposure to direct sunlight.

We Aim to:

- Provide access to the outdoor environment at all times unless to do so would be dangerous.
- Provide sunscreen and a sunhat (if parents do not provide one)
- Limit children's exposure to strong sunlight.
- Inform parents and children of how to be safe in the sun.

What you should do:

- Familiarise yourself with the brand of suncream used by the Family Centre and make us aware if it is not suitable for your child.
- If the Family Centre brand of suncream is not suitable inform staff of the previous sensitivity or allergy and provide a suitable brand yourself.
- Provide a sunhat and suitable clothing when the weather is warm.
- Work in partnership with the Family Centre and follow advice on sun safety to limit the risks to your child whilst in your care.

What we will do:

- Provide and use gloves to apply sun cream regularly. The sun cream used will be no less than factor 15 and 4 stars, which are hypo – allergic, water resistant and protects against UVA/UVB.
- Provide a sunhat, if parents have not provided one.
- Limit the time children are exposed to strong sunlight between 11am and 3pm.

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- Display the **Be Sunsmart Information** and draw parents attention to the **Be Sunsmart Leaflet** resources available at Sun, UV and cancer | Cancer Research UK
- Provide opportunities within activities to talk to children about the dangers associated with over exposure to the sun appropriate to the age of the child.
- Provide access to drinking water at all times and encouraged children and staff to drink water regularly.