

Woodhall Farm Pre school

Outdoor Summer Safety Policy

The Pre-school children have extensive use of the outdoor areas on a daily basis. The Pre-school is committed to educating the children in the importance of protecting their skin in the sun. We feel it is important for the children to be protected from the sun so we will take every precaution to make this possible.

We ask that parents/carers apply sun cream on their child before they attend the Pre-school. At the beginning of a sunny session parents/carers will be asked if sun cream has been applied and this will be recorded.

We will provide and use Nivea 50 + sun protection and reapply it if it is needed later in the session.

We will encourage the children to apply the cream as part of their independent learning and caring for themselves in the sun. We will help the children to rub the cream into their body parts until they have learned this skill themselves, we will only apply cream to skin exposed to the sun.

In our experience the process of applying cream can be quite difficult for a young child depending on their individual level of skill and without adult support, children can end up putting on too much, rubbing their hands into their eyes causing stress and discomfort

We will minimize the risk of sunburn by making sure children have hats on outside and sunscreen to protect their skin. Activities outside will be mostly shaded but if the sun is very hot the children will be brought inside.

Please provide a hat for your child, if parents/carers forget their child's hat the Pre-school have a selection but please put your child's **name in the hat** to help us identify it.

Parents/carers of children with skin allergies must notify the Pre-School Leader and give advice of the cream or the procedure to be used.

At the beginning of the Spring term we will send out a "Sun cream permission slip" to make the Pre-school staff aware of any allergies to our sun cream.

We would like to remind parents to send their children to the Pre-school in suitable footwear and clothing.

Canvas shoes and trainers are most suitable for climbing, running and using the bikes in the outdoor area.

Open toed sandals, backless shoes, long skirts and dresses are **not** suitable for climbing running and using the bikes and can be dangerous.

Please consider covering your child's shoulders as they are very sensitive to the sun's rays.

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