



6.0 Health

6.8 Sun Care

Policy statement

The nursery is committed to ensuring that all children are fully protected from the dangers of too much sun. Severe sunburn in childhood can lead to the development of malignant melanoma (the most dangerous type of skin cancer) in later life.

Procedures

The following guidelines are for the prevention and care of children in the sun:

- Children must have a clearly labelled sun hat which will be worn at all times whilst outside in sunny weather.
- Children must have prior written consent from the parents for staff to apply sunscreen. Keren's Nursery requires parents to provide a clearly labelled sunscreen with a factor 50 for their child.
- Children need light weight cotton clothing suitable for the sun, with long sleeves and long legs if prone to sunburn.
- Children will always have sunscreen applied before going outside in the sun and at frequent intervals during the day.
- Children are encouraged to drink water more frequently throughout sunny or warm days.
- Children are made aware of the need for sunhats, sunscreen and the need to drink more fluids during their time in the sun.
- Staff will make day to day decisions about the length of time spent outside dependent on the strength of the sun.
- Shady areas of the garden are available should children want to cool down or escape the sun should they wish or need to.

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