



SUN SAFETY POLICY

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An academy within:



"Learning together; to be the best we can be"



Abbey school believes in sun safety.

In order to give as much protection as possible against the dangers from the sun we are agreed on the following procedures.

- Where appropriate in the curriculum, children shall be taught about ways to protect their skins from the sun.
- As part of our dress code, children are encouraged not to come to school in unsuitable clothing.
 - This means pupils should wear school uniform but be encouraged to only wear polo shirts.
 - Pupils are also encouraged to wear hats whilst outdoors.
 - Children will not be allowed to change into PE or beach type clothing at break times.
- Sunbathing is not allowed during the school day.
- Staff will ensure pupils are in the shade or will keep them indoors if necessary.
- We will aim to provide shade.
- When the sun is extremely hot, teachers will use their own judgement whether or not to hold their PE lesson or break time outside.
- Consider potential sun exposure when planning school trips.
- Parents are asked to send in sun cream for their child and ensure this has been applied before school. This must be labelled with their child's name. Children are not allowed to share sun cream. School also ensures they have some and gain permission from parents in order to use this when it is needed.
- Wherever possible, try to involve parents/guardians in policy/decision making re sun safety e.g parents group.
- Pupils will also be encouraged to drink plenty of water if participating in any physical activity during warm periods.

Communication

1. Throughout the year, our main communications reminders are sent out and texts sent via seesaw and where appropriate and also put on the parents facebook page. Information is also uploaded onto the website. Where there have been warnings regarding the weather for that week and reminders regarding appropriate clothing, wearing sunscreen and water bottles to parents, and where necessary events / trips rescheduled accordingly.