

Badgerbrook Primary School

Sun Protection Policy

(Sun Smart)



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Badgerbrook Primary School wants staff and pupils to enjoy the sun safely. By working with staff, pupils and parents this will be achieved through:

EDUCATION :

- During the Summer term an item in the Newsletter will explain how the school is promoting sun protection and how parents/carers can help eg encourage children to wear sun hats and apply sun stick/cream/lotion before coming to school
- Parents will be encouraged to support the school initiative for available water by ensuring that their children bring water bottles to school
- SunSmart will be discussed in an assembly during the summer term

PROTECTION

Shade

- There is some natural shade in the school grounds
- The parent shelter in the playground and the canopies in Year 1 and the Foundation Stage provide shade

Sunscreen

- The use of sunscreen by children and staff will be actively encouraged.
- Information on how to stay safe in the sun will be included in a Newsletter sent home with each child.
- Letters home about school trips will include reminders about suitable clothing and the use of sunscreen
- Parents and school will encourage each child to use a high factor sunscreen before coming to school. The SunSmart campaign recommends a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of at least 15 and a "broad-spectrum" sunscreen with a star rating of four stars or more which has not passed its expiry date

SunSmart campaign – The five key SunSmart skin cancer prevention messages are:

- **Stay** in the shade as much as possible between 11am to 3pm.
- **Make** sure you never burn.
- **Always** cover up and wear a T-shirt and hat.
- **Remember** children burn more easily.
- **Then** use a factor 15+ sunscreen.

More details of the SunSmart campaign can be found at <http://www.sunsmart.org.uk/>