



GOALS:

Padbury Primary School Sun Smart policy aims to:

- increase and maintain the awareness of all students K-7 and teachers to the risks involved in exposure to UV rays and implement protective and preventative measures to minimize the dangers of excessive UV radiation.
- provide a safe and shady school environment.
- encourage behaviour responsive to protection from the sun.

Our policy is implemented all year.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Curriculum

- Sun awareness issues (protection, skin cancer) are incorporated into appropriate learning areas of the school curriculum, notably Health, Physical Education and Science.
- Students, staff and parents are presented with all available educational sun protection material with constant reminders throughout the year during assemblies, meetings, recesses and sport sessions.

Behaviours

- Students to wear broad-brimmed hats whenever outside.
- If children are without broad-brimmed hat they must stay out of the sun, and sit in front of the classroom in the shade until the end of that play period. The children's names are entered in the playground discipline book.
- Children are encouraged to wear sun protective clothing – shirts with collars, rashies for swimming.
- Application of sunscreen is encouraged and all classrooms have sunscreen supplies. Sunscreen dispensers are also available in the sportshed and at incursions and excursions.
- Positive role modeling of sun protective behaviours by all staff is strongly encouraged.
- Encourage children to use shaded areas for activities and play.
- All classes eat lunch in a shaded area.

Environment

- Padbury provides a well-shaded school environment – tree lined playground with all equipment under shade, shaded preprimary sandpit and playground, large undercover area for formal assemblies and play during recess and lunchtimes.
- Shade structures are erected specifically for carnivals.

Enforcement

This Sun Smart policy is enforced by the Padbury Uniform policy, by which a condition of enrolment is the acceptance of the Uniform Policy that says wearing a suitable hat is enforced with sanctions.

EVALUATION:

- Review Sun Smart behaviour of students and staff.
- Monitor shade provision and usage.
- Continue to promote and update curriculum information.
- Modelling of wearing hats by teachers when working outdoors.

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