



Shrivvenham
Church of England Primary School

All things are possible for one who believes

Sun Safety Policy

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Mission

We ensure our children learn in a nurturing environment where we value everyone as individuals, care for one another and foster positive emotional growth and well-being. Through our broad and balanced curriculum, we inspire, motivate and challenge our children to become independent and confident learners, maximising intellectual, social, physical and spiritual development. We put Shrivenham School at the heart of village life, actively encouraging partnership with parents, the Church and the wider community.

Vision

Each member of our school family will be given every possible opportunity to develop their abilities, confidence and resilience, to flourish and fulfil their unique potential, to work well together and to positively contribute to the wider community.

'All things are possible for one who believes' (Mark 9:23)

Values

LOVE

Love is the core value that underpins all that we do at Shrivenham CE Primary School. Jesus demonstrated his unconditional love during his time on earth indiscriminately, and as followers of Jesus we aim to walk in his footsteps.

We show love to everyone by putting others before ourselves. By working together as part of a strong and supportive family, we can all achieve more - socially, emotionally and academically.

HOPE

Hope is a core value for our church school because we share in the joy that comes from the belief that there is always hope and all is never lost. Hope is an attitude of mind that we develop through faith in God and each other.

In our school this helps is to keep going even when things get hard and when we face new challenges. Together we can turn hope into reality.

COURAGE

Courage is a core value for our church school because God asks us to be brave in the face of hardship. The book of Joshua reminds us to stand against injustice and to be the best we can be when things are difficult.

At our school, we have courage to stand by our beliefs and are committed to what is right and true.

1. Overview

Too much exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun causes sunburn, skin damage and increases the risk of skin cancer. Sun exposure in the first 15 years of life contribute significantly to the lifetime risk of skin cancer.

At Shrivenham C of E Primary, we want all staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with staff, parents, and carers to achieve this.

2. Aims

All children will be involved in a discussion, appropriate for their age and understanding, at the start of summer about sun protection and the risks

All children will be kept safe in the sun whilst being able to access a high-quality outdoor provision

All staff will be educated in the importance of sun protection and the risks involved in not protecting both themselves and others

Parents and carers will be informed about our policy

Sun safety will be promoted through working with parents, staff, and the wider community to improve our understanding and provision to avoid the harmful effects of too much exposure to UV. Staff should always act as a positive role model and set a good example by seeking shade whenever possible, wearing appropriate clothing, and applying sunscreen.

3. Roles and Responsibilities

- Early Years staff will encourage children to wear clothes that provide good sun protection (sun hats etc)
- Parents/carers will be duly informed of the importance to provide the children with the appropriate clothing/headwear
- Staff should wear hats when appropriate to act as a good role model and to also demonstrate drinking plenty of water
- Children are encouraged to increase their water intake in hot weather and are encouraged to do so in outdoor areas also.
- Water will always be available to children throughout the day from water dispensers which children will be able to access independently. (both indoors and outdoors)
- Staff in the Early Years will monitor the weather and if necessary, decide to allow only indoor play, especially in the afternoon session.
- Parents of children that attend for a half day should apply sun cream to their child at home. For those children that attend for a full day, parents should apply cream to their children before they come to school and staff will assist the child in re-applying it during the day when necessary

- Parents are asked to give written permission for sun cream to be applied to their children.
- Parents are required to provide the nursery appropriate sun cream for their children
- The sun cream must be in date and be a minimum factor 30 with a 5-star UVA rating (this is usually visible on the bottle).
- Parents are welcome to leave the sun cream at the nursery for the duration of the summer, but this cream must be clearly labelled with the child's name on it.
- Suncream will be returned to parents at the end of the summer term.

4. Enabling environments

- The Early Years outside areas have shade provided with large parasols.
- Children will be encouraged to use the shaded areas during playtimes when appropriate
- Outdoor play opportunities should be maximised in the morning session if the temperatures are too high during the day.
- Children are actively encouraged to take their drinks into the outdoor area to ensure they maintain good levels of hydration.
- During a hot day, regular drink stops are encouraged.

5. Safeguarding

- If a member of staff supporting with sun cream application has concerns about physical changes in a child's appearance (e.g. marks, bruises, soreness), they will report this using the school's safeguarding procedures.
- If a child is hurt accidentally or there is an issue when carrying out sun cream application, the staff member will report the incident immediately to the Designated Safeguarding Lead.
- * If a child makes an allegation against a member of staff, the responsibility sun care of that child will be given to another member of staff as quickly as possible and the allegation will be investigated according to the school's safeguarding procedures.

6. Monitoring arrangements

- This policy will be reviewed by the Early Years Lead and Head of School annually and will be approved by the Local Governing Body. They will have oversight of the implementation and effectiveness of this policy.

7. Links with other policies

- Child protection and safeguarding
- Health and safety
- Personal care policy

Sun cream consent

Sun cream consent	
Name of child	
I give consent for the Early Years staff to apply suncream to my child and will provide a named bottle of suncream to be kept in school. I will apply suncream to my child before they attend the setting on a daily basis.	
Signed	
Date	