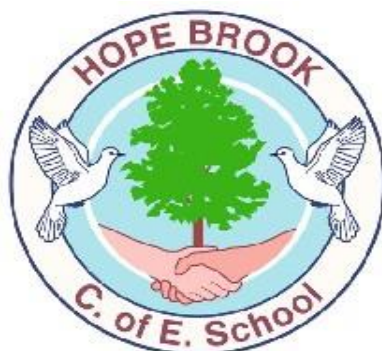


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Sun Protection Policy

The staff and governors are committed to the development of each child in the best possible learning environment to encourage all children to achieve their fullest potential.

We want the children to achieve success through their own efforts, teamwork, self-discipline and motivation, and through links with the Church and community, work towards a better future for themselves and the world in which they live.

Sun Protection Policy

At Hope Brook C of E Primary School we want staff and pupils to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with staff, pupils and parents to achieve this through:

Education

At the beginning of the summer term (or earlier if weather patterns suggest we need to introduce guidance earlier in the year):

- All pupils will have at least one sun awareness lesson per year
- At least one assembly will focus on how to be safe in the sun
- Pupils will be reminded daily about keeping themselves safe in the sun
- Parents and guardians will be sent a letter explaining what the school is doing about sun protection and how they can help
- All teachers will be well informed about safe practice in the sun

Protection

Shade:

- Shade is provided in the school grounds – around the school building, under the parasol, by the cycle racks, under the trees and in the willow dome
- Pupils are encouraged to spend some time in the shaded areas during hot lunch times and when outdoor learning activities are taking place

Timetabling:

During the summer term, teachers will continue to use the outdoor areas as environments for learning – but will consider the timing / length of outdoor lessons.

Particular consideration will be given to the organisation of Sports Day. Sports Day will be held in the mornings – aiming to be finished by 12pm.

Clothing:

Children will be encouraged to wear suitable clothing, sun hats and sunglasses when appropriate

Sunscreen:

- The use of sunscreen will be encouraged
- Parents will be encouraged to provide a labelled bottle of sun lotion for their child
- Children will be responsible for applying their own sunscreen in school (Procedures may be adapted for pupils in the younger years)

Water:

- Children will be encouraged to drink regularly
- Children will be encouraged to bring a second water bottle to school – one to be stored with their lunch and one to be kept in the classroom

In the unlikely event that pupils experience the effects of the sun, staff will be well informed about their role in managing pupils in these circumstances, and will:

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- Move the affected pupil into the shade – preferably indoors
- Cool the skin by applying tepid water
- Give frequent sips of water
- Seek medical advice if there is any skin damage or dizziness. Associated documents (attached):Sunsmart Policy Checklist for schools
- Sunsmart Letter for Parents

Date of policy: May 2021

Date of review: May 2026

This policy was formulated in consultation with the Headteacher and teaching staff.

This policy was accepted by the Governing Body at their meeting on Wednesday 17th May 2021 and will be reviewed in 5 years.

(A signed copy of this policy is kept in the staffroom folder)