Sun Protection Policy

Beachport Primary School & Preschool sun protection policy aims to promote among children, staff and parents:

- Positive attitudes towards skin protection.
- Lifestyle practices which can help reduce the incidence of skin cancer and the number of related deaths.
- Personal responsibility for and decision making about skin protection.
- Awareness of the need for environmental changes in our site to reduce the level of sun exposure when the UV radiation level is 3 and above.

The purpose of the policy is to ensure that all members of our school community are protected from skin damage caused by the harmful rays of the sun.

Beachport Primary School & Preschool will use the following skin protection strategies:

- Take care to protect the skin when the ultraviolet radiation level is 3 (moderate) and above.
- Use the shade of trees, pergolas and shade covers whenever outdoors.
- The sandpit and play equipment area to be a priority for shade structures and trees.
- Wear appropriate clothing which protects the skin.
- Children will be expected to wear a hat in terms 1 & 4 for sun protection when outdoors.
- Children not wearing an appropriate hat will be expected to play in the under cover area.
- Sunscreen will be supplied for outdoors activities including swimming lessons.
- Sunscreen will be applied before the children’s morning outdoor activities at Preschool.
- Staff will be encouraged to role model and teach appropriate Sun Smart strategies.
- Information about the school’s Sun Smart Policy will be given to all new staff, students and families.

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