



Policy Statement

At Foxglove Violet Hill we want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We will use the sunny weather as an opportunity to educate the children about how to keep themselves safe in the sun. Staff will discuss with the children the importance of looking after our skin and how to protect it from the sun's harmful rays.

Children will be encouraged to stay in the shade between 11am-3pm when the sun is often at its strongest. Shaded areas are offered during outdoor activities and staff will emphasise the importance of covering exposed skin by wearing a hat, suitable clothing and stress the benefits of drinking water and wearing sun screen.

We ask parents and carers to:

- Send their child in appropriate footwear for Nursery i.e. non slip – not flip flops.
- Provide a **NAMED** sun hat. We have spare sunhats that we will lend to children without a hat.
- Apply waterproof sun screen to their child before they arrive at Nursery during appropriate weather.
- Advise staff if their child is unable to have sun screen applied for medical reasons/skin pigment so that inclusive arrangements can be made.
- Bring a named bottle of sun screen to Nursery if their child attends Nursery **all day**. Please give the bottle to a member of staff (bottles are not to be sent in children's bags for safety reasons). This will then be kept out of all children's reach. A member of staff will apply the sun screen after lunch. The same member of staff will keep a record of those children who have had sun screen applied which states the date and time of application and the name of each child.
- Sign a consent form giving staff permission to apply the sun screen if their child attends Nursery **all day**. Children who stay all day who have not provided sun screen for staff to apply or when permission for staff to apply sun screen is not provided cannot participate in outdoor activities after lunch.

Signed for and on behalf of Foxglove Violet Hill

Lindsey Harvey (Principal) :

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