

Safeguarding and Welfare Requirement: Health

The provider must promote the good health of children attending the setting.

6.9 Sun Safety

Policy statement

At Paddocks Pre-school, we want all staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. All children will be involved in a discussion, appropriate for their age and understanding, at the start of the summer about sun protection and the risks. 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 on sun protection.

Procedures

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 sun cream before their child comes to preschool and a team member will assist the child in re-applying it during lunchtime. Parents are asked to give written permission for sun cream to be applied for those children that are at preschool all day, after lunch, during the summer months.

Paddocks Pre-school will provide a known brand of sun cream for the children. This will be a minimum of SPF 50. If parents have concerns over the brand used they must provide their own clearly labelled with the child's name.

It is preschool policy that all children should access the garden at some point during the day. Where certain areas of the play space get sunny, children will be discouraged from playing there in the very hot weather. If needed, temporary shade will be created with parasols and gazebos. In extremely hot weather, outdoors play in direct sunlight will be kept to a minimum to avoid prolonged sessions in the sun.

Parents should provide their children with sunhats. All children will be actively encouraged to wear hats when in the garden during the summer months.

Sun cream must not be left in children's bags it must be given to a member of the team.

Further guidance

<http://www.nhs.uk/Livewell/skin/Pages/SunSAFE.aspx>

This policy was adopted by	<u>Paddocks Pre-school</u>	<i>(name of provider)</i>
On	<u>Feb 2021</u>	<i>(date)</i>
Date to be reviewed	<u>Spring Term 2022</u>	<i>(date)</i>
Signed on behalf of the provider	<u>G Overton</u>	
Name of signatory	<u>Gemma Overton</u>	
Role of signatory (e.g. chair, director or owner)	<u>Chair</u>	

Staff Signatures

(LG, LG, SL, SJ, JC, CM, LW, GP, AS)