

Sun Policy

Introduction:

At BCoT nursery we encourage all children to access the outside area every day and will ensure that they access the outdoors safely during the summer months in the following ways.

Procedures:

- Staff will discuss sun safety with all children, appropriate to their age and understanding
- In extremely hot weather children will not use the outside area between 11am and 3pm
- On sunny days all children and staff will wear hats when in the garden from April to September
- Parents will provide sunhats for their children, preferably a floppy hat or a legion style hat that covers the ears and neck
- If a child chooses not to wear a hat they will stay inside the nursery and not be able to access the outside area
- Parents will be asked to ensure their child wears tops and dresses to nursery that cover their shoulders
- Parents will be asked to ensure their child wears sandals with straps to nursery not flip-flops
- Parents give written permission for staff to apply sun cream to their child as and when necessary
- BCoT nursery will provide sun cream with a minimum of factor 30
- If parents wish to provide their own sun cream this must be kept in nursery and clearly labelled with their child's name. If no sun cream is provided we will use the sun cream supplied by the nursery.
- On sunny days parents are asked to apply sun cream to their child before they attend nursery
- On sunny days staff will apply sun cream at regular intervals throughout the day including nose, ears, cheeks and tops of feet as well as arms and legs
- Staff will either wash their hands or change gloves between applying sun cream to each child
- If a child chooses not to have sun cream applied they will stay inside the nursery and not be able to access the outside area
- Water is available all day every day for children to drink and on hot days staff will encourage them to drink at more regular intervals
- In the unlikely event of a child becoming accidentally sunburnt while at nursery an accident form will be completed and if a serious case of accidental burning should take place this will be reported to OFSTED

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