



**WEST VALE**  
ACADEMY

# Sun Protection Policy

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<b>Responsible department:</b>	West Vale Academy		
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During the summer months, the sun's rays can be particularly harmful to children's delicate skin. As your child's health and well-being is extremely important to us, the aim of our policy is to help us to protect them as best we can over the summer months.

- As playing out is an important part of your child's development, we will still continue to offer outdoor play, however we will provide places of shade for your child to seek shelter from the sun.
- Parents will be advised to provide a named sun hat and children will be reminded to put these on before going out to play.
- We recommend sun cream is applied liberally to your child at home before coming into school.
- With parents' permission (which requires you to sign the form below) staff will assist your child with further applications if needed (in Early Years and KS1); KS2 children will be expected to apply sun cream themselves and time will be provided for this. However, should you wish for this to happen you will need to provide a bottle of sun cream clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Water will be available at all times.
- If parents have not applied sun cream prior to school, or provided sun cream, staff will use their discretion and either apply Factor 50+ sun cream (EYFS & KS1 pupils) or offer the cream (KS2 pupils) as deemed necessary to protect your child.
- Finally school staff and parents will work in partnership together by talking to the children about the importance of sun protection, seeking shade and taking regular drinks.

**Please note: from time to time children can still be affected by the sun's rays even though we will ensure that the above precautions are taken. In the unlikely event that this should happen, West Vale will not be held accountable for this.**

Please complete and return the consent slip overleaf to the school office.

I **do not** give permission for school staff to apply sun cream to my  
child: I **do** give permission for school staff to apply sun cream to  
my child:

\_\_\_\_\_ (child's name & class)

Name & Signature of parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_