

4.7 Sun Protection Policy

At Pewsham Preschool Ltd. we acknowledge the importance of sun protection and want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely.

Procedures

- Children are taught how to stay safe in the sun by wearing sun hats to protect their heads/face from the sun.
- Children are continually encouraged and reminded to wear hats during sunny weather, parents will be asked to provide a suitable named hat for their child.
- We have a number of spare sun hats to give to children who forget their own.
- We ensure the garden has ample shaded areas.
- When the sun is strong we will encourage children to sit/play in the shade.
- We ask parents for permission for staff to apply sunscreen on days when the sun is strong and keep a record to ensure all children have sun cream applied daily.
- Children will need to bring in their own clearly labelled bottle of sunscreen, at least factor SPF15+.
- For children attending a half day parents must apply sunscreen to their child before the start of the session. If a child is at preschool all day then staff will reapply sunscreen after the lunch period.
- Should parents not give consent for sun cream to be applied to their child the child must wear suitable clothing to protect them from the sun. This means that they must wear a long sleeved top, long shorts/trousers or skirt, feet must be fully covered and a hat worn (hat to include built in neck protection - if neck not covered by hair).
- During hot periods children are encouraged and reminded to drink plenty of fluids.
- Water is available at all times and parents are also encouraged to supply their child with a suitable drink in a named bottle.