

Policy for:

Sun Safety Policy



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At St Modwen's we want everyone to enjoy the sun safely.

Education

- All pupils will have at least one SunSmart lesson or assembly each year.
- Parents will be sent information on sun safety and how they can help via school newsletters when appropriate.

Spend time in the shade

- The school is aware of helping children to stay in the shade between 11.00 and 3.00.
- Children may be asked to spend some time indoors at lunchtime during very hot weather.

School visits and outdoor activities (including sports days)

- Where summer trips or activities involve considerable time outside between 11.00 and 3.00, all children will be advised to bring sunscreen, wear a hat and have a water bottle.

Cover up

- Children are encouraged to wear hats while outdoors during the summer.
- Sunglasses are also encouraged.
- Staff and children are expected to keep shoulders covered while outside during the summer.

Sunscreen

- Children should come to school with suncream already applied where possible.
- Parents may choose to send their children in with **labelled** suncream and children will apply this themselves at lunchtime.
- Parents are responsible for teaching children how to apply the cream carefully.

Water

- Everyone is encouraged to drink plenty of water. All children are expected to bring a full water bottle to school each day. This can be refilled throughout the day.

Staff

- All staff are encouraged to promote and model sun safety practices when outdoors, where appropriate.
- Staff will only allow children outside for a limited time on very hot days.

The following web links will provide further useful information for parents and carers:

Useful Resources

- [NHS Sunscreen and Sun Safety Guide](#): The definitive UK health authority guide covering when to use shade, how to check the UV index, and specific advice for babies under 6 months.
- [Cancer Research UK](#): Partnered with NIVEA SUN, this initiative offers great tips using the 5 S's (Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek, Slide) to ensure lifelong sun safety habits.
- [British Association of Dermatologists](#): Features a comprehensive fact sheet tailored for babies and children, emphasizing hat styles and the correct reapplication of sunscreen
- [Hot weather | The Lullaby Trust](#) Safer sleep in hot weather - baby summer safety. When the weather's hot or you're going on holiday, follow these tips to keep your baby safe and comfortable this summer.