

Sun Sense Policy

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RATIONALE / INTENT:

At Learning Curves we believe that the wellbeing and safety of the children within our care is paramount to their holistic development.

GUIDELINES:

This policy is generally for Terms one and Four, however, discretion and common sense is required.

All children will need to be provided with a named sunhat from home during the summer months. This must be worn outside at all times. Ideally the hat will have a wide full brim, or be of a legionnaires type style.

Children are encouraged to wear T-shirts that cover their shoulders, eg not singlets while playing outside.

A "NO HAT, NO PLAY" policy will be implemented with the children at all times, while outside. In the cooler months, children will be encouraged to wear a warm hat during outside playtimes.

All staff must role model sun safety by wearing their own sun hat whilst outside.

Parents will be asked to coat their child in sunscreen before arriving at the Centre. Staff will reapply sunscreen every 2 hours (with parent consent obtained on the enrolment forms).

Children will not be taken into the sun between the hours of 11am and 2pm during the summer months.

Water will be readily available to the children during the summer months. Children will be encouraged to drink a minimum of 5 glasses of water each day whilst at Learning Curves.

Educators will take opportunities to educate children about sun safety.

Activities will be placed in shaded areas during the summer months.