

# DOTHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

We have developed a sun protection policy to ensure that we can all enjoy the sun safely.

The sun's rays are particularly strong over the summer, and they can damage children's skin. This may not seem like a problem right now, but it can lead to skin cancer in later life.

Your child's health and well-being are very important to us, which is why we have decided to:

- Increase the amount of school time spent learning about sun protection.
- Encourage pupils to wear hats and t-shirts when outside.
- Encourage pupils to use at least SPF 15 sunscreen in summer months.
- Encourage pupils to stay in the shade where possible.

More details of these and other new sun protection plans can be found in our sun protection policy which is available on our website.

Your support is very important to us; therefore, you can help by:

- Talking to your child at home about the importance of sun protection.
- Teaching your child to apply their own sunscreen.
- Sending your child to school with their own **clearly labelled** bottle of sunscreen.
- Talking to your child about not sharing their sunscreen with other children.
- Bringing a bottle of water to school each day.
- Sending your child to school with a **named** wide-brimmed hat.

If you make the decision for your child to bring sunscreen into school, then you agree that:

- You will teach them to apply their own sunscreen and understand that adults will **not** apply sunscreen to your child.
- You will talk to them about the safe use of sunscreen, so they do not cause harm to themselves, for example, putting sunscreen in their eyes.
- You will talk to them about not letting other children use their sunscreen.

Yours Sincerely

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