



Bateman Primary School

“Sun Smart” Policy

BACKGROUND

The Bateman Primary School Sun Smart policy has been adopted to ensure that all staff and students attend Bateman Primary School are protected from skin damage caused by the harmful UV rays from the sun. It is to be implemented throughout the year. The sun protection practices outlined in this policy will be applied to all school activities, including sports carnivals, excursions and camps. The policy has been developed in consultation with the whole school community.

Behaviour

1. The school will require students to wear school broad-brimmed hats when they are outside all year.
2. At certain times and events, the wearing of hats will not be compulsory during Terms 2 and 3. This will mostly be while children are competing in sporting events.
3. Staff are requested and encouraged to wear broad-brimmed hats when outside.
4. Ensure that children without a school hat are directed to a play area which is protected from the sun eg. Undercover area.
5. Encourage positive role modelling of sun protective behaviour by all school staff, parents and guests.
6. Encourage children to use available shade for play.
7. Only broad-brimmed hats are to be worn at school.
8. Hats will not be borrowed. Children who do not have a hat will still be required to participate in the activity being undertaken. Children who continually fail to bring a hat will be sent to the deputy principal or principal.
9. Sunscreen should be applied prior to students arriving at school and will be made available for students during school hours.

Curriculum

1. Incorporate sun protection and skin cancer prevention programs into the school curriculum at all year levels.
2. Promote sun protection throughout the year via the school newsletter, assemblies and daily messages.

Environment

1. Continue to develop the provision for shaded areas within the school grounds for students and staff eg. planting trees, building shade structures.
2. Provide shade for all children and staff at sporting carnivals.

Evaluation

The effectiveness of this policy will be reviewed in accordance with Cancer Council WA guidelines (2011).

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