BISHOP PERRIN

Church of England Primary School

Sun Safe Policy

Our school is a Church of England School and works in partnership with our two local parish churches, St Augustine's and St Philip and St James'. We aim to reflect the values, traditions and beliefs of the Christian Faith and therefore our Spiritual Values underpin everything that we do.

It is the school's policy to ensure the well-being of each and every member of the school community through managing sun safe procedures.

<u>Aims</u>

To provide education on sun safe health and safety practice to the school community through sending advisory literature home to parents, meetings at school, liaison with the school nurse, home visits, assemblies and class-based display and discussion.

Education and Information

The school community will recognise that:

- Even when there is cloud cover, it is still possible to be harmed by the sun's UV rays on the skin and in the eyes.
- It is important to maintain and increase fluid intake for any member in order to prevent dehydration.

Practice and Procedure

- The school community are advised regularly about sun safe practice and procedure at Bishop Perrin School and in the wider environment.
- The school community are advised and encouraged to use preventative measures against the effects of the sun.
- Adults in the school community are responsible for personal sun safe procedures.
- Parents and carers are advised that it is their responsibility to apply protective creams to their children before the school day begins.
- Parents are encouraged to send an appropriate school sun hat into school for their child to wear.
 Adults in the school are responsible for reminding pupils to wear them. All hats are named to reduce the risk of cross infection of head lice.
- Children are permitted to bring sunglasses for outdoor use. This is at the parents' own risk.

Fluid Intake

- Adults in the school are responsible for monitoring their own intake of fluid during hot spells.
- Children are encouraged to bring in a named bottle of water for consumption.
- Children are permitted to refill their water bottles during the day.
- Water fountains are available for use during playtimes (other than during Winter months when they are switched off due to the pipes freezing).

Using The Outdoor Environment

Adults and children are encouraged to seek shade when using the outdoor environment. Shade is provided in the playground by use of umbrellas and awnings. The children are encouraged not to physically exert themselves when it is particularly hot. In extreme conditions, an air conditioned indoor room may be provided for free time.