

KETTLESHULME ST JAMES
CE (VA) PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUN PROTECTION
POLICY

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Non-Statutory Policy

At Kettleshulme St James we acknowledge the importance of sun protection and want staff and pupils to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with staff, pupils and parents to achieve this through:

EDUCATION:

- We will talk about how to be safe in the sun during Worship at the start of the summer term and before the summer break
- Emails to parents, as well as reminders in our Weekly Newsletter, to request that sun cream is applied to children before school and that a sun hat is sent in with their child

PROTECTION:

Shade:

- When the sun is strong we will encourage pupils to sit/play in the shade where it is possible
- When it is unusually hot we will screen off the Astro turf areas as these can become very hot and therefore unsafe
- Children will be encouraged to spend their time in the shade created by the trees and hedges – if shade is limited then pupils can also utilise the Quiet Garden and the Roundhouse

Timetabling:

- When there is a heat weather warning we will aim to schedule outside activities, school trips and PE lessons before 11am and after 3pm if appropriate. If this is unavoidable we will ensure hats, clothing and sunscreen are all worn to prevent sunburn and children are encouraged to stay in the shade where possible

Clothing:

- When outside in sunny weather, children are required to wear hats that cover the ears, face and neck
- Children can wear sunglasses if they bring them in

Sunscreen:

- Sunscreen use will be encouraged on days when the sun is strong during the summer months
- If the sunscreen will need reapplying during the day then pupils should bring into school their own sunscreen which is labelled with their name
- Pupils must apply their own sunscreen
- Pupils can only use their own sunscreen and it must not be shared between pupils