



Waggrakine Primary School

SUNSMART POLICY

GOALS

Provide ongoing education that promotes personal responsibility for sun protection and skin cancer prevention.

Work toward a safe school environment that provides shade for students, staff and the school community.

STRATEGIES

- When outdoors, all children must wear an approved sun protective hat ie. broad-brimmed or legionnaire style hat.
- Staff are encouraged to wear approved sun protective hat for outdoor activities.
- No hat, no play. Children who do not have a hat at school will be directed to stay in a designated undercover area during recess and lunch break.
- Sun protective clothing is included in our school uniform. The shirts have $\frac{3}{4}$ length sleeves, a SPF of 40+ and a collar to protect the nape of the neck. A broad brimmed hat is part of our school dress code.
- Children eat recess and lunch undercover or in shaded areas.
- Children are encouraged to apply their own sunscreen. They have access to sunscreen in classroom and on the oval during sport sessions.
- Children are required to wear Sunsmart clothing on free dress days.
- Physical Education lessons are rescheduled to a shaded or undercover area during hot weather.
- Adequate shade is provided at sporting carnivals.
- The availability of shade is considered when planning excursions and outdoor activities.
- Incorporate sun protection and skin cancer prevention programs into the school curriculum at all year levels.
- Promote sun protection throughout the year via the school newsletter, assemblies, parent and staff meetings and whole school activities.
- Staff will ensure that wherever practicable, outdoor activities take place 10-00am or after 2-00pm.
- Increase shaded outdoor areas as funds are available and in consultation with the P & C.

Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed annually:

1. Review the SunSmart behaviour of students, staff, parents, and visitors and make recommendations for improvement.
2. Assess shade provision and usage and make recommendations for increases in shade provision.
3. Update and promote curriculum material relevant to SunSmart activities.