



## Sun Protection Policy and Procedures for EYFS

### Policy Statement:

In the EYFS at Cranford School, children are encouraged to access the well-resourced outdoor play spaces as much as possible. During the summer months, staff recognise the importance of protecting children from the harmful effects of ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun.

Outdoor play remains an important part of the EYFS curriculum; however, appropriate precautions are taken to ensure children remain safe in hot and sunny weather.

This policy is available in the Cranford School Policies section of the Whole School Staff Teams area on Microsoft Teams for all staff to read. It is also available to parents and interested parties on the School website. The policy is reviewed annually, and when events or legislation requires.

### Key Personnel:

The Key Person or Head of Pre-Prep should be contacted should you have any questions or concerns regarding this document.

### Procedures:

- Where possible, outdoor activities are planned to avoid the peak UV hours in the middle of the day. We actively encourage all children to wear a suitable hat (preferably legionnaire style) when playing outside in the summer months when it is hot and sunny. If a child does not own a Cranford hat, a suitable hat from home is acceptable. There is a limited supply of hats to give to children who forget their own;
- Parents are asked to put sunscreen on their child in the morning and we will top them up as necessary during the day. With the permission of parents, we will use a specified sunscreen (usually Kids Nivea Factor 50) with a minimum factor of 50 but parents may supply their own named bottle of sunscreen if they would prefer. (Please see letter and permission slip following);
- When deemed necessary, staff may apply sunscreen to children, where prior permission has been given by parents.

Once children move into Reception parents are asked to apply sun cream to their child before they come into the School each morning, it is recommended that this is an 'all day' brand. Children are expected to wear sun hats when outside. On exceptionally hot days the children will be encouraged to spend time in the shaded areas where activities are set up.

In the afternoons sun cream is reapplied to children wishing to use the outside area during free flow. Reception staff support pupils to re-apply sun cream and closely supervise them doing so. Parents must sign to say they give consent for Kids Nivea Factor 50 to be applied, or another brand, supplied by themselves, in a named bottle (see letter and permission slip following).

Children are taught about the importance of keeping safe in the sun and encouraged to increase the amount of water they drink throughout the day. Children are encouraged to drink water regularly and refill water bottles throughout the day.

**Education:**

Children take part in a variety of activities to reinforce the message of being safe in the sun through stories and discussion.

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Matron and Head of Pre-Prep

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Matron and Head of Pre-Prep



# CRANFORD SCHOOL

Dear Parents

## Hot Weather Procedures

Please put sun cream on your child (preferably all-day sunblock) before they come to school and we will top them up as necessary, particularly if they are staying all day. We use 'NIVEA KIDS' Factor 50 from Boots. If your child is allergic to this brand or requires a different sun cream, please give a named bottle of sun cream to your child's Key Person to keep in school. Please fill in the form below to give us permission to use sun cream on your child and return it to your child's Key Person.

Our Sun Protection Policy is available for all parents and interested parties on the School website. All children must have sun hats, they should be named and kept in the children's bags or on their peg. Hats can be either home or School ones. Water is always available throughout the day for the children.

Yours sincerely

**Mrs Cara Bennett**  
**Head of Pre-Prep**

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Name of child.....

I do/do not give permission for 'NIVIA SUN CREAM', Factor 50 to be applied to my child (please delete as applicable). Please return to your child's Key Person.

Signed.....Date.....

If providing your own sun cream, please provide us with details below:

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