



The Horsell Village School SunSmart Sun Protection Policy

At The Horsell Village School 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

- All pupils will learn about sun protection throughout the year.
- We will talk about how to be SunSmart in Reflections at the start of the Summer term and before the summer break (or in April if particularly hot).
- Parents will be reminded about sun protection and how they can protect their child at the beginning of the Summer term (or in April if particularly hot).
- Teachers will discuss Sun Protection in a Wednesday meeting at the end of the Spring term. This will then be shared with all staff.

PROTECTION

Shade:

- We will encourage students to sit/play in the shade where it is available.
- We use our trees and canopies to provide shade in the playground.
- There is a shaded area for parents to sit in the schools' Victorian garden should they arrive early at drop off and pick up times.

Timetabling:

- We will consider and assess the risk of the sun when planning outside learning, school trips and PE lessons.
- Summer term trips will not be planned without the venue being able to provide shade for part of the day and lunch times.
- Sports day timings are staggered so the children are only outside for part of the day, and there is shade provided when the children are not taking part in activities and having refreshments.

Clothing:

- Children are required to wear hats that cover the ears, face and neck; we encourage wide brimmed hats or legionnaire caps.
- All staff are also encouraged to wear hats when on playground duty and teaching outdoors.

Sunscreen:

- Sunscreen will be applied before school by the children's parents.
- We remind parents to apply sun screen (before school) in the Summer newsletters each year.