

Andamooka
Primary
School



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Children's
Centre
for Early Childhood
Development and Parenting

Sun Protection

AIM

To ensure that all children and staff are protected throughout the year from harmful ultraviolet radiation (UVR). The policy aims to promote sun safety and reduce exposure to UVR through a comprehensive approach considering sun protection behaviour; organisation of activities; the outdoor environment and education of children, staff and parents.

POLICY

Children will wear hats that protect the face, neck, ears and crown of the head for outdoor activities.

Spare hats will be available for children whose hat has been misplaced.

Staff will implement a “no hat / no play / seek shade” procedure.

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Staff will provide for themselves a broad brimmed hat to wear in the outdoor area.

Staff who have forgotten their hat and relief staff may obtain a spare hat from the office.

Parents will be asked to dress their children in clothing that gives protection from the sun.

Parents will be advised through the Parent Handbook to dress their children in sun protection clothing where possible. For example, shirts and dresses with collars or high necks and sleeves, longer shorts or skirts and use of close weave fabric.

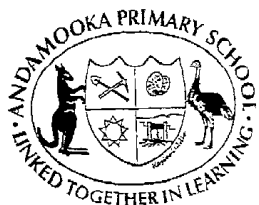
Staff will be advised to wear clothing that gives protection from the sun when outdoors.

Staff will be advised to wear shirts and dresses with collars or high necks and sleeves, trousers, longer shorts or skirts and made from closely woven fabric.

Parents will be encouraged to wear sun protective clothing and hats when involved in service activities.



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Parent education on this issue will be undertaken using Cancer Council publications.

SPF 30+, broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen will be applied to all children before morning outdoor play.

The centre will provide SPF 30+ broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen for use by staff and children.

Parents will be informed that sunscreen will be applied and permission for this will be sought on enrolment through parent signature. If permission to apply sunscreen is not given, parents will be asked to provide sunscreen for their child.

If for some reason a child can not wear sunscreen the parent will be advised to try to ensure that the child wears adequate sun protection clothing.

Sunscreen will be applied in a way that avoids cross infection, for example, older children applying their own sunscreen, use of soft disposable towel to apply sunscreen.

Staff will re-apply sunscreen before outdoor play in the afternoon using disposable soft paper towel.

Children under 12 months of age will not be exposed to direct sunlight.

Play outdoors will be in shaded areas as best is possible with staff modeling this and moving equipment as may be necessary to achieve this.

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