

## **Sun Protection Policy**

Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements / 3.44, 3.64

Merry Kidz Day Nursery understands the dangers posed to staff and children by

Over exposure to the sun. In hot weather parents/carers **MUST** put sun cream on their child before they arrive at the setting. We will assume that **ALL** children come into the setting protected with sun cream at the start of their session, be this in the morning or afternoon.

In addition to this, staff will apply sun cream to the children as necessary later in the day to ensure their protection.

We will use a high quality sensitive skin cream and will obtain parental written consent before applying this. If children are unable to have the setting brand sun cream applied then parents/carers must bring their own choice of sun protection for the sole use of their child. This should be clearly named.

Parents/carers are also reminded to provide their children with suitable sun hats. We do have some spare hats that are available to give to children who forget their own.

Staff are encouraged to wear hats when sunny outside, to set a good example.

In hot weather staff will ensure there is plenty of drinking water available both inside and outside. Children will be encouraged to drink water frequently. Staff should ensure that there are also shady areas in the outdoor area.

Sun protection will be discussed with all children at the beginning of the summer term and repeated as appropriate.

Staff will make sure that the time is limited for children to be outside during peak times during hot periods.