

## **Sun Protection Policy**

Children are encouraged to access the outside area and free flow between that and the indoor play space as much as possible but during the Summer months we are aware of the need to protect them from the harmful rays of the sun. We have therefore developed this policy.

- Parents will be asked to provide a sun hat for their child. Spare hats are available for children who have forgotten their own. These need to be labelled and will be kept on their pegs when the children are indoors.
- It is requested that children arrive already wearing sunscreen during the Summer months or staff are asked to apply it. Children may need their sunscreen reapplied before the afternoon activities if they are attending a full day session. Parents will be asked to give written permission on the registration form for this. The sunscreen used in pre-school is a broad spectrum SPF 50.
- We will include sun-safety in our Summer term activities.
- Play outdoors will be in shaded areas as much as possible using the gazebos or natural shade.
- Although water is always available we will place greater emphasis on the children having a regular fluid intake during the warmer weather.