SUN SMART

Our SunSmart policy aims to raise awareness and educate all students and staff with regard to safe SunSmart attitudes and behaviours.

As part of general SunSmart strategies, our school will:

**BEHAVIOUR**
- Require children to wear protective SunSmart hats whenever they are outside (eg. recess, lunch, sport, excursions) during terms 1 and 4 and at other times deemed necessary by staff. “No hat, no play” principle to be enforced by all staff members.
- Provide SPF 15+ (or higher) broad spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen for staff and student use. Supplies to be kept in classrooms and sickbay.
- Encourage the daily application of sunscreen before school and prior to the lunch break.
- Encourage children to use available areas of shade for outdoor activities.
- Encourage staff and parents to act as role models by practicing SunSmart behaviours.

**CURRICULUM**
- Incorporate programs on skin cancer prevention into the curriculum at all grade levels.
- Regularly reinforce Sun Smart behaviours in a positive way through newsletter and activities as a ‘mad-day’.
- Ensure the Sun Smart policy is reflected in the planning of outdoor events eg. camps, excursions sporting events).

**ENVIRONMENT**
- Organise outdoor activities to be held in areas with plenty of shade whenever possible.
- Work toward increasing the number of shelters and trees to provide adequate shade in the school grounds.

**EVALUATION**
- Our health committee will review the effectiveness of this policy each year.
- They will:
  - Review the sunsmart behaviour of students, staff parents and visitors and make recommendations for improvements
  - Assess shade provision and usage and make recommendations for increases in shade provision if necessary
  - Update and promote curriculum material relevant sunsmart activities.