

# **BARKHAM PRE-SCHOOL**

Barkham Village Hall, Church Lane, Barkham, Wokingham,  
Berkshire RG40 4PL. Tel: 07493 010077, or 0118-9760750 (Hall)

Registered Charity No. 1026028

Supervisor: Sarah Horsgood



## **Safeguarding and Welfare Requirement: Health**

***The provider must promote the good health of children attending the setting.***

## **Sun Protection Policy**

### **Policy statement**

Too much exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun causes sunburn, skin damage and increases the risk of skin cancer. Sun exposure in the first 15 years of life contribute significantly to the lifetime risk of skin cancer.

At Barkham pre-school the safety of the children who attend is paramount. Sun safety will be promoted through working with parents and staff to improve our understanding and provision to avoid the harmful effects of too much exposure to UV.

### **Procedures**

- Staff and children will be involved in discussions about sun safety which are age appropriate during group times.
- The children will be reminded throughout the session to have regular drinks of water.
- During the warmest parts of the day the children will be encouraged to play in the shaded parts of the garden.
- During the summer months we will ensure that our gazebo is erected in the pre-school garden to offer more area of shade for playing.
- Whilst outside during sunny days the children will be asked to wear sun hats, with pre-school offering spare hats to children who have forgotten to bring one.
- Parents agree to apply sun cream to their children prior to the start of their session.
- Pre-school will top up sun cream if needed during the session using Boots Soltan Kids factor 50 Hypoallergenic Suncare Lotion.
- Both staff and children are not permitted to wear open toed sandals or flipflops whilst in session. This is due to safety reasons and to avoid staff and children hurting their feet or tripping. Closed toe shoes or jelly shoes are permitted during the summer months.

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## Further guidance

Procedure should a child or member of staff get sun burnt :-

- Immediate removal from the sun
- Cool the burnt area by spraying or sponging with cool water
- Offer cooled water.
- Contact parents

Seek advice and help from a doctor if :

- - the sun burn covers a large part of the body.
- - the child is very young
- - the skin is blistered and swollen, not just pink.

This policy was adopted by	Sarah Horsgood -	<i>On behalf of</i> Barkham
	Supervisor	Pre-school
On	December 2021	
Date to be reviewed	Yearly	December 2022
Signed on behalf of the provider	S.Sowerby	
Name of signatory	Sarah Sowerby	
Role of signatory (e.g. chair/owner)	Chair of Committee	