

# The Willows Preschool

## Sun protection policy



At The Willows Preschool we are aware of the importance of sun protection and want all staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We aim to work closely with staff and parents to achieve this.

- The need for sun protection is discussed interactively with the children
- Parents and carers are informed of the importance of sun protection through newsletters and notices.
- Sun protection is considered when planning all outside activities from April to September.
- Children are able to access the outdoor area at all times of the day.
- The gazebo is erected whenever possible.
- Parents are asked to provide children with suitable hats, which they are actively encouraged to wear when outside.
- A stock of spare hats is available for children who forget their own

### Morning session children

- Should have their sun cream applied prior to arrival at preschool at the setting for 9am.

### Afternoon session children

- Should have their sun cream applied prior to arrival at preschool for 12 noon

### Children who stay all day

- Should have sun cream applied before arrival at preschool for 9am and bring their named sun cream to Preschool ready for reapplication after lunch.
- All children will be encouraged to apply sun cream themselves but will be supervised and supported by staff prior to outside play.
- All children should be dressed sensibly in hot weather to cover sensitive areas such as shoulders and backs.
- Preschool will keep a small supply of factor 50 sensitive sun cream for use when a child arrives at Preschool to stay all day but does not have sun cream with them.
- Fresh drinking water will be available in the outdoor play areas.

- Parental/carer consent is obtained and held on file for staff to apply sun cream to children.