



RATIONALE

Overexposure to the sun presents a serious health risk. Students must therefore be educated as to the need for suitable sun protection and protected from overexposure to the sun whilst at school.

AIMS

- To educate students as to suitable Sunsmart protection strategies.
- To encourage students and staff to protect themselves from the harmful effects of the sun.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Students will be required to wear Anti-Cancer Council approved broad-brimmed Kalinda hats during Terms 1 & 4 whenever they are outside.
- Staff will act as role models by also wearing hats whilst outside during Terms 1 & 4.
- Students without broad brimmed hats will be restricted to play in designated shaded areas.
- Students will be actively encouraged to wear sunscreen, particularly when they will be spending an extended period outdoors.
- Whenever possible, outside activities on days with a high UV index rating will be scheduled before 11am.
- The School Council will provide adequate shade structures for students as practical.
- The School Council will ensure the school uniform broad brimmed hats are available for purchase from the uniform shop.
- The school newsletter and school assemblies will be used to highlight and promote the Sunsmart policy.
- Sunsmart activities and sun protection will form part of the Health and Physical Education curriculum at all year levels.
- Our school will maintain its accreditation as a Sunsmart school from the Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

EVALUATION

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's 3-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council on: 14 October, 2008