

Blaengwrach Primary School
Sun Protection Policy

At Blaengwrach Primary School we acknowledge the importance of sun protection and want staff and pupils to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with staff, pupils and parents to achieve this through:

EDUCATION --- these measures are in place from now on:

- All pupils will have at least one SunSmart lesson per year.
- We will talk about how to be SunSmart in assemblies at the start of the summer term and before summer break.
- Parents and guardians will be sent a letter explaining what the school is doing about sun protection and how they can help at the beginning of the summer term.

PROTECTION -- this is an ongoing process.

Shade:

- When the sun is strong we will encourage pupils to sit/play in the shade where it is available.
- There is a shelter in place in the junior yard to allow pupils a shaded area to each their lunch outside.

Timetabling:

- In the summer months we will aim to schedule outside activities, school trips and PE lessons before 11am and after 1pm if appropriate. If this is unavoidable we will ensure hats, clothing and sunscreen are all worn to prevent sunburn.

Clothing:

- When outside in sunny weather, children are required to wear hats that cover the ears, face and neck. The school has a stock of hats for pupils to access if they forget to bring in a hat- this ensures outdoor learning & play is fully inclusive.
- Pupils are encouraged to wear sunglasses to avoid them looking directly at the sun.

Sunscreen:

- Sunscreen use will be encouraged on days when the sun is strong during summer at lunch breaks, during PE lessons and on school trips.

- Texts to parents & Twitter are used to remind parents to apply sunscreen when warmer weather is forecast.
- We cannot currently supply sunscreen to all pupils on a daily basis because of cost.

We will monitor our progress and review this.