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At Long Ditton St Mary's we want staff and pupils to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with staff, pupils and parents to achieve this through education, protection, clothing and sunscreen.

Education

These measures are in place:

- 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;
- 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;
- teachers will attend any necessary training in this area as and when needed.

Protection

This is an ongoing process and so is subject to continuing development.

Shade:

- a shaded area can be made available indoors, ie the Hall, during really hot weather;
- children will be able to have water bottles on their desks during hot weather and encouraged to drink after PE lessons and during break times.

Timetabling:

- Sports days will start at 9.30am to avoid the midday sun.

Clothing:

- School sun hats are available from the School shop;
- teachers may wear hats when on playground duty and during sports lessons, as a matter of personal choice;
- for the duration of the summer term and the first half of the autumn term, all pupils and teachers may wear short sleeved shirts (white for pupils) which may be worn with or without a tie. All short sleeve shirts must have collars, be able to button at the neck and be suitable for wearing with a tie on formal occasions. Any extension to this will be solely at the Headteacher's discretion.

Sunscreen:

- children may bring sunscreen (not containing nuts) to School and can only apply it themselves;
- sunscreen use will be encouraged on School trips.

This policy was developed with the help of staff, pupils and parents and will be kept under review.