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Dear parents and carers,

Sun safety updates

During the summer term and with the possible heatwave conditions expected this week it is important that everyone is aware of how we keep the children safe at school. On very hot days we ensure that the children only have access to the outside areas in very small chunks of time. Where temperatures are particularly high the children will always have shortened play time and lunch time sessions. Instead of being outside during these times, they spend time inside colouring, drawing or playing games. The children are reminded to wear their hats outside and take their water bottles with them.

Attached to this letter is an overview of an assembly we have held with the children where we have talked about the importance of **slipping** on long sleeved shirt or into the shade, **slopping** on some sun cream, **slapping** on a hat and **wrapping** on some sunglasses.

In order to further support with sun safety we ask that parents apply an all day sun cream to children before they come to school. These are available in all local pharmacies or supermarkets and will provide the children with 8 hours of protection from the sun. If you have an all day sun cream at home please use this for the rest of the term. If you do not currently have an all day sun cream at home we will support if needed with sun creams until the end of Friday 29th June. From Monday 2nd July 2018 all children will need to come to school with all day sun cream applied at home. If your child has a medical condition that does not allow them to wear an all day sun cream please arrange an appointment to discuss this further. Unfortunately staff are not able to apply sun cream to children or supervise children who are applying sun cream independently.

During recent visits to the school from the School Health team, staff have talked about the importance of learning how to apply sun cream correctly. We whole heartedly agree that this is a life skill all children need to master with support from parents at home.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards



Mrs Dee Hughes
Head of School