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Sunscreen Policy Preschool

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Policy Updates

Date	Update
July 2026	New policy taken from National College

Battling Brook Pre School aim to protect children whilst they are in our care. We believe it is essential to help children understand the importance of keeping themselves safe in the sun and have developed this policy to ensure that we can all enjoy the sun safely over the summer months.

We follow guidance from the weather and UV level reports and use the following procedures to keep children safe and healthy in the sun:

- Parents must apply sun cream prior to the start of the school day and confirm to staff that it has been applied.
- Children must have a clearly labelled sun hat which will be worn at all times whilst outside in sunny weather. This hat will preferably be of legionnaires design (i.e. with an extended back and side to shield children's neck and ears from the sun) to provide additional protection
- Parents/carers must sign a consent form prior to staff applying sun cream.
- Children must have their own labelled high factor sun cream with prior written consent for staff to apply. This enables children to have sun cream suitable for their own individual needs. Staff must be aware of the expiry date and will not apply this sun cream after this date. Sun cream containing nut-based ingredients will not be allowed in the setting.
- Staff will ensure sun protection is applied in the correct way to exposed face, neck, shoulders, arms and legs and in the correct amount avoiding eyes where possible. Staff will wear disposable gloves whilst applying sun protection (disposed after each use on each child).
- Staff will not apply sun protection on their own.
- Parents are requested to supply light-weight cotton clothing for their children suitable for the sun, with long sleeves and long legs
- Staff will make day-to-day decisions about the length of time spent outside depending on the strength of the sun (UV levels).
- Shaded areas are provided to ensure children are able to still go out in hot weather, cool down or escape the sun should they wish or need to.

- Hold outdoor activities in areas of shade wherever possible during the hottest peak of the day and try to plan focused outdoor activities at times when sunrays are less harmful (avoiding mid-day sun)
- Children are encouraged to drink cooled water more frequently throughout sunny or warm days and this will be accessible both indoors and out.
- When the temperature is over 25° time outside will be limited to no more than 20 minutes at a time.

This policy will be reviewed on an annual basis or when guidance from the DFE is updated.



Application of Suncream Consent Form

Name of child

Date of birth

Suncream

Name of Suncream
(as described on the container)

SPF

Expire Date

NB: Suncream must be in the original container and clearly labelled with you child's name.

By signing this form I confirm the following statements:

- I give my permission for Battling Brook Pre School Staff to apply sunscreen to my child once a day.
- I give my permission for Battling Brook Pre School Staff to apply suncream to my child's face, neck, shoulders, arms and legs
- I do not know of any allergies my child has to suncream
- That I understand the school will keep a record of suncream applied.
- That I understand staff will be acting in the best interests of my child whilst applying suncream

Contact Details

Signature	
Name (please print)	
Date	
Daytime telephone no.	
Relationship to child	

Staff Member signature	
Name (please print)	
Date	



Battling Brook Primary School – Record of applying suncream to individual child

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