



LIHIR INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUNSMART POLICY (Version August 11)

Rationale:

Lihir International Primary School realizes the need to protect children's skin and educate them about SunSmart behaviour, thus reducing the risk of skin damage from over exposure to the harmful rays of the sun.

Aims:

The policy aims to:

- Provide ongoing education that promotes personal responsibility for skin cancer prevention
- Provide environments that support SunSmart practices.

Implementation

Lihir International Primary School will:

- Inform parents of the SunSmart policy when they enrol their child.
- Include the SunSmart policy statement in the school guidelines.
- Be conscious of the amount of shade in the school grounds, where possible, by building shelters, shade areas and planting trees.
- Incorporate education programs that focus on skin cancer prevention into the school curriculum.
- Encourage all teachers and staff to act as positive role models for children in all aspects of SunSmart behaviour.
- Ensure that all students and staff wear hats when outdoors.
- Where students have not got an appropriate hat then there is a designated shaded or covered area for recess and lunch times play periods.
- The "No hat no play" phrase is learnt by Early Years students.
- Encourage students to apply sunscreen provided when they will be exposed to the sun for extended periods.
- Regularly review the school dress code to ensure uniforms are SunSmart.

- Ensure that adequate shade is provided at sporting carnivals and other outdoor events
- Regularly review the SunSmart policy

Expectations

Parents and staff are expected to:

- Provide an approved SunSmart hat for their child and ensure that they wear it.
- Apply sunscreen before the child comes to school each day.
- Ensure sunscreen is available for the student to apply during school hours.
- Act as positive role models by practicing SunSmart behaviour.
- Support the school's SunSmart policy.

Students are expected to:

- Be aware of the school's SunSmart policy
- Take responsibility for their own health and safety by being SunSmart
- Comply with SunSmart rules and guidelines by wearing suitable hats, clothing, sunscreen.
- Act as positive role models for other students in all aspects of SunSmart behaviour
- Help to design and regularly update the SunSmart policy
- Participate in SunSmart education programs.