## **WESTON TURVILLE C.E. SCHOOL**

## MISSION STATEMENT – TO PURSUE WISDOM WITHIN A CHRISTIAN ETHOS

## **SUN SAFETY POLICY**

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The school supports the principles of sun safety and ensuring that children and staff are protected from skin damage caused by excessive exposure to harmful ultra-violet rays in sunlight.

## Our school will:

- Educate children through the curriculum about the causes of skin cancer and how to protect their skin from excessive sunlight.
- Encourage children to wear suitable clothing in sunny weather that provides good sun protection, and to use sunscreens when appropriate.
- Hold outdoor activities in areas of shade whenever possible, and encourage children to use shady areas where appropriate.
- Work towards increasing the provision of adequate shade for everybody on the school site.

Parents are encouraged through newsletters and other school documentation to ensure that their children have sunscreen put on before school on sunny days, to provide them with an extra bottle of water and to encourage them to wear a hat.

We ask parents not to provide additional sunscreen because it is difficult to supervise its use, and we are not able ensure that pupils do not share it with others who may have skin conditions. Instead we provide sunscreen in simple-to-use dispensers and invite parents to come in and check on the ingredients where necessary.