




ROBINVALE COLLEGE SUNSMART POLICY

College Council President:		Date: 14-5-18
College Principal:		Date:
Date ratified:	Date to be reviewed:	

PURPOSE :

Our Sunsmart Policy has been developed to ensure that all children attending this school are protected from skin damage caused by the harmful ultra-violet rays of the sun. It is to be implemented throughout the year.

BROAD AIMS:

As part of general Sunsmart strategies, our school will :

- Require all staff and children to wear broad brimmed, legionnaire hats whenever they are outside from the start of September until the end of April or when the U.V. levels are 3 and above.
- Work with the parent community to provide SPF30+ broad spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen for staff and students use.
- Encourage children to use available areas of shade for outdoor activities.
- Encourage staff and parents to act as role models by practising Sunsmart behaviours.
- Encourage the application of sunscreen and the wearing of sunglasses.(Aust. Standard Cat 2,3,4)

GUIDELINES:

- Incorporate programs on skin cancer prevention into the curriculum.
- Regularly reinforce SunSmart behaviour in positive ways through newsletters, parent meetings, student and teacher activities.
- Schedule outdoor activities before 11.00 and after 3.00 whenever possible.
- Organise outdoor activities to be held in areas of shade whenever possible.
- Work toward increasing the number of shelters and trees so as to provide adequate shade in the school grounds.
- Children who do not have appropriate hats or protective clothing will be expected to play under the canteen.
- The sunsmart convenor will review the Sunsmart behaviour of students, staff, parents and visitors and make recommendations for improvement.
 - Assess shade provision and usage and make recommendations for increases in shade provision.
 - Update and promote curriculum material relevant to Sunsmart activities.

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