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WHERE LEARNING IS AN ADVENTURE

SUN SAFETY POLICY

Article 3- All organisations concerned with the child should work towards what is best for the child

Rationale:

We are very fortunate to have extensive grounds and a large area for the children to play in. Whilst this is an advantage most of the year round, it is important to protect the children and staff from the sun during hot weather.

Purposes:

- To ensure children and staff are protected from the sun during hot weather
- To ensure provision is in place to allow children access to water and shade

Guidelines:

- Classes will discuss sun safety as part of the PSHE curriculum.
- Children will be taught to take appropriate measures to keep themselves safe and cool in the sun. Younger children will be supervised and supported to take jumpers off, wear hats etc.
- Staff must be mindful of the time spent outside during sunny/ hot weather and adjust their timetable accordingly for more class-based activities where appropriate.
- Children and staff are allowed to take water bottles into the playground during hot weather. Chilled water is available around the school.
- Children will be advised to wear a hat, preferably with neck protection.
- Children are allowed to bring in sun cream (advised minimum spf 30). Staff are advised not to apply sun cream to children, but children should assist one another with adult supervision.
- When it is particularly hot the hall will be available at break times and at lunchtime for shade as soon as dining is complete.
- Shade is available around the grounds, main field under the trees and in the sun shelters in both playgrounds.

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- Where events are scheduled and the heat poses a risk (i.e. sports day) the Headteacher will review the event, adapt if appropriate or reschedule in extreme circumstances.

Conclusion

The health and welfare of children and staff are paramount. These guidelines will ensure that the school does its very best to protect all parties from risk.

Signed.....Chair of Governors July 2019

