Sun Smart
POLICY

Rationale
Over exposure to the sun presents a serious health risk. Students must therefore be educated as to the need for suitable sun protection, and protected from over exposure to the sun whilst at school.

Aims
- To educate students as to suitable sun smart protection strategies.
- To encourage students and teachers to protect themselves from the harmful effects of the sun.

Implementation
- Students will be required to wear a hat during Terms 1 and 4 whenever they are outside. The hat must be a navy legionnaire, slouch or bucket hat (with or without jade green school logo).
- Staff will act as role models by wearing a legionnaire, slouch or bucket hat at all times when outside during Terms 1 and 4.
- Students without appropriate hats will be restricted to playing in designated shaded areas.
- Students will be actively encouraged to wear a broad-spectrum water resistant sunscreen (SPF30+).
- Sunscreen will be provided on all excursions during Terms 1 and 4 and will be applied by students under the supervision of teachers.
- Whenever possible, outside activities on hot days will be scheduled before lunchtime.
- This policy should also be read in conjunction with the Extreme Weather Policy.
- School Council, in consultation with the Principal, will ensure adequate shade is provided in the playground for students.
- Appropriate hats must be available for purchase from the school Office at all times.
- The school newsletter will be used to highlight and reinforce the Sun Smart Policy. Appropriate reminders will also be given at school assemblies.
- The curriculum is to include programs that promote the sun smart message and the need for adequate protection from the sun.

References
- Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria (9635 5148)
- School Policy & Advisory Guide

Evaluation
This policy will be reviewed every three (3) years or as deemed necessary.