

# Mount Waverley Primary School



## SUNSMART POLICY

### **Rationale:**

Mount Waverley Primary School's Sun Smart policy has been developed to ensure that all children attending our school are protected from skin damage caused by the sun.

### **Implementation**

The school will:

- encourage children to wear suitable clothing and hats that protect the face, neck, ears and shoulders whenever they are outside e.g. recess, lunch, sport, excursions, from the beginning of September to the end of April
- provide access to SPF30+ broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen for the use of staff and students
- ensure that Block Approvals for the use of Sun Screen are distributed to all families at the commencement of each year and to new families on enrolment throughout the year
- encourage staff and parents to act as role models by practising Sun Smart behaviours
- incorporate programs on skin cancer prevention into the curriculum
- regularly reinforce Sun Smart behaviour in a positive way through newsletters, parent meetings, student and teacher activities
- encourage children to use available areas of shade for outdoor activities
- encourage teachers to organise outdoor activities to be held in areas of shade where possible
- ensure that students without a hat remain in specified shaded areas
- work towards increasing the number of shelters and trees so as to provide adequate shade in the school grounds.

### **Evaluation:**

The Sun Smart Policy and Program will be reviewed by the Education Committee every four years.

### **Related Policies:**

Dress Code

Student Wellbeing