

## SLPS Sun Protection Policy

The school uses a combination of sun protection measures for all outdoor activities on and off site **between 1 August to 30 April** including:

### Clothing

Sun protective clothing is included in the school uniform/dress code and sports uniform. The clothing is cool, loose fitting and made of closely woven fabric. It includes shirts with collars and elbow length sleeves, longer style dresses and shorts and rash tops or t-shirts for outdoor swimming.

### Sunscreen

Students can provide their own SPF 30 or higher broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen. Students can be given opportunity to apply sunscreen before going outside.

Families with children who have naturally very dark skin are encouraged to discuss their vitamin D requirements with their GP or pediatrician.

### Hats

All students and staff are required to wear hats that protect their face, neck and ears e.g. broad brimmed or bucket hats, whenever they are outside. Baseball or peak caps are not acceptable.

### Shade

Care is taken during the peak UV radiation times, and outdoor activities are scheduled outside of these times or in the shade where possible.

Students are encouraged to use available areas of shade when outside.

Students who do not have appropriate hats or clothing are asked to stay in the shade or a suitable area protected from the sun.

### Curriculum

Programs on skin cancer prevention are included in the curriculum for all year levels.

Sun Smart behaviour is regularly reinforced and promoted to the whole school community through newsletters, staff meetings, school assemblies and student and teacher activities.

The information has been extracted from the [Cancer Council SA SunSmart policy](#)