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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to you regarding the application of sun cream at school. The most important thing for us to do is to help the children stay safe and happy, and not get burned.

Given that the summer months are here, but that we are also working in a current school environment that must encourage social distancing, we are writing with some amendments to our typical sun cream letter and expectations.

As a school, and in line with Government recommendations, the return to school will see outdoor learning utilised as much as possible. We are anticipating very warm days and need to ensure we can keep the staff and children safe with regard to sun exposure, but also social distancing.

Typically, we ask you to provide written consent, using a permission slip, to allow us to support your children with the application of sun cream, however the current circumstances mean that this will not be possible.

As such, we would like your support in asking that you apply a specific 'Once a day' or minimum 6hr protect sun cream, to your child each morning before they come to school, preferably a minimum of SPF30. In doing this, we can ensure that all children can access outdoor learning for the full day and that they will be safe when doing so. There are a wide range of 'once a day' sun creams available to purchase, and these are typically designed for normal wear, needing to be reapplied after towelling dry or other abrasive contact - neither of which would occur within the school day.

Shelters, in the form of gazebos, have been purchased for each bubble group, to ensure adequate shade. If your child's outdoor learning does mean sun exposure, and it becomes apparent that they have not had sun cream applied in the morning, then you will be contacted to attend school to apply sun cream to your child.

If you have any questions related to the information in this letter, please don't hesitate get in touch. We cannot thank you enough for your support during this time.

Thank you for your help.

Kind Regards,

Helen Smith

Headteacher

