Skin damage and skin cancers are caused as a result of cumulative exposure to the sun. Most skin damage and skin cancers are preventable if we take some important precautions. We actively promote safe sunsmart practices.

**AS A SCHOOL WE WILL....**

- ensure sun protection lessons are part of the classroom programme
- provide shaded play areas or indoor areas on high risk sun exposure days
- support families to access hats and sunscreen through Social Justice budget and ASSPA
- regularly promote sun safe practices in newsletters, at assemblies and in classrooms
- allow children to remain inside when the temperature is 35+ degrees Celsius or is a high risk exposure day.
- induct families into our sun protection policy
- consider the issue of sun protection when planning excursions
- have all staff and students wearing broad brimmed or legionnaire hats during terms 1 and 4
- recommend sunscreen be SPF 30+ broad spectrum and water resistant. Sunscreen should be applied 15-20 minutes before going outside and regularly reapplied (around every 2 hours) if outside for an extended period of time or sooner if involved in water activities or sport.

**IN THE YARD WE WILL....**

- remind children about the need to wear their hat and sunscreen
- re-direct children not wearing hats to shaded play areas in Terms 1 & 4.
- model good practice by wearing a broad brimmed hat and sunscreen while on duty
- acknowledge those children who are wearing hats and sunscreen.
STUDENTS WILL . . .

- bring a broad brimmed hat from home or seek help to access one
- actively participate in lessons about sun protection
- remember to wear a hat and sunscreen before going outside
- play in a shaded area or wear a hat and sunscreen in terms 1 & 4.

PARENTS WILL . . .

- provide a broad brimmed or legionnaires hat for their children to wear or seek help to access one
- encourage their children to wear a hat and sunscreen or to play in the shade
- model sun protection practices.