



## **Sun Protection and Hat Policy**

### **INCLUSIVE DATES:**

To ensure that our students are correctly protected from the sun, The Forbes Primary School Sun Protection Policy is enforced (as a minimum):

- Every day in Term 1
- From the 1<sup>st</sup> September onwards in Term 3
- Every day in Term 4

\*\*The Principal has the authority to make changes to these dates if required

### **APPROPRIATE HATS:**

- ALL students are expected to have a legionnaire's hat, broad brim hat or 'bucket' style hat in the Forbes colours at school. Baseball hats do not provide protection to the ears and neck and are therefore not appropriate
- These hats are recommended by the Anti-Cancer Council and have been endorsed by the Forbes Primary School Council
- Hats with 'under the chin' draw string must not be worn as these can be a choking hazard
- Please ensure that all hats are named clearly.
- Forbes hats with the school logo are available for purchase from the Front Office.

### **SCHOOL SUNSMART EXPECTATIONS AND CONSEQUENCES:**

- Students must wear appropriate clothing all year round: sleeves on shirts and pants/skirts at an appropriate length.
- Students must have their hats in the classroom at the beginning of each day. This is an important part of each student's morning routine.
- Hats must be shown to the Classroom Teacher as part of each student's morning routine, even if the student arrives late.
- If a student does not have their hat, the Classroom Teacher will send a note with the student's name on it to the Front Office. Front Office staff will then attempt to phone parents/carers to request a hat to be brought to school, where possible.
- If a hat cannot be supplied, the student will be required to sit in the Front Office Time Out area at playtime. The student may not participate in outdoor class activities without a hat.
- These expectations ensure that all students are following the Anti-Cancer Council's Sun Smart guidelines.
- Students who refuse to follow the school's Sun Protection Policy are risking skin damage from the sun. Repeated refusal to follow the Sun Protection Policy will result in referral to the School Behaviour Code.
- Hats are required for participation in Forbes Sports Day. Shirts with sleeves must be worn on Sports Day.

**WHEN HATS MUST BE WORN:**

- During Recess and lunch time during the above dates.
- During all outdoor curriculum activities, including Sports Day that occur during the above dates.
- Traffic Monitors/Bike Shed Monitors must wear hats while on duty before and after school during the above dates.
- Hats are an essential prerequisite for attendance at outdoor excursions and camps.

**SUN BLOCK EXPECTATION:**

- Students may want to keep sun block in their bags and apply it during the day as required.
- It is the Parent/Carer's responsibility to supply sun block.
- Sun block is an essential prerequisite for attendance and participation in Sports Days, outdoor excursions and camps.

