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## Angaston Kindergarten Sun Protection Policy

### 3 Wear appropriate clothing which protects the skin.

3.1 Children, staff and parents will be expected to wear a broad brimmed hat, ~~legionnaire style hat~~, or a bucket hat (bucket hat must have a deep crown and minimum 5 cm brim for children under 5 years of age and 6cms for older children and adults) whenever they are involved in outside activities all year round. Children not wearing an appropriate hat will be expected to play inside. **No Hat No Outside Play**

3.2 Children will be encouraged to wear shirts with collars and at least elbow length sleeves and longer style shorts / skirts.

**4 When UV radiation levels are above 3 apply a broad-spectrum, water resistant sunscreen with an SPF of 30+ to clean, dry skin, 15—20 minutes before going outdoors for lunch or activities. Sunscreen should be reapplied every two hours if outdoors for a prolonged period of time or more frequently if involved in water activities or perspiring.**

4.1 Adequate time must be allowed for correct application of sunscreen on children before they go outdoors.

4.2 Parents will be encouraged to apply a broad-spectrum sunscreen before their child arrives at kindergarten. Bulk sunscreen packs will be available at the kindergarten.

4.3 Staff will check if sunscreen has been applied by parents before the children's morning outdoor activities and again before they go outside in the afternoon at times between 10.00 am and 3.00 pm or when the UV is 3 and above.

4.4 Staff will model the application of sunscreen and support children to independently apply their own.

### 5 The special needs of babies:

5.1 Babies (under the age of 12 months) should be kept out of the direct sunlight as much as possible and always protected by shade, clothing and hats all year round.

5.2 Sunscreen should be applied to small areas of exposed skin not protected by clothing and hats, where necessary.

**6 Reinforcing the Sun Smart message in all service activities and in general service procedures is an important strategy in the adoption of skin protection behaviours.**

6.1 Staff will be encouraged to role model appropriate Sun Smart strategies in all service activities.

6.2 Skin cancer prevention will be included in appropriate teaching activities.

6.3 Staff will be encouraged to keep up to date with new SA information and resources from Cancer Council.

6.4 Information about the centre's Sun Protection Policy will be given to all new staff, students and families.

**7 The Angaston Kindergarten skin protection policy will be evaluated on a two yearly basis.**

7.1 Policy issues will be discussed at Staff, Parent and Governing Council meetings.

**Endorsed by Staff and Governing Council April 2014**

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Director: [Signature]  
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