

SUNSMART POLICY

Related Policies

CECG Sun Smart

Purpose

To ensure that students and staff at St Francis Xavier College understand, promote and practice sun smart procedures.

Policy

St Francis Xavier College will promote among students, staff and parents:

- positive attitudes towards skin protection
- lifestyle practices which can help reduce the incidence of skin cancer
- personal responsibility for decision making about skin protection
- awareness of the need to provide a suitable school environment which reduces the level of exposure to the sun

Procedure

Year 7 students are issued with SFX hats at the beginning of the year to encourage SunSmart behaviour. Students are permitted to wear any hat of their choosing while outside the school buildings.

Staff members are encouraged to model appropriate sun smart behaviour by wearing appropriate sun smart clothing, hat and sunscreen, while supervising students outdoors, particularly in Physical Education classes and other outdoor activities. PE Staff are expected to model appropriate sun safe behaviour to their classes. Sun safety precautions are taken for classes and sunscreen is made available to students.

Planning for improvements to the SFX environment will include provision of shaded/sheltered areas.

Students are encouraged to use shaded areas of the playground. The Hub is also available to all students during recess and lunchtimes.

Factor 30+ or higher Sun Protection Factor Sunscreen is provided for staff and students in several locations at exits to the building.

Staff carry sunscreen and offer this to students at events such as Community Day and SFX Day when students will be spending long periods of time outside at times of the year with potentially dangerous UV levels.

References

SunSmart http://www.sunsmart.com.au/
SFX Safe Working Practices in the PE Department



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Forms

NIL

<u>Information</u>

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