CHRISTCHURCH RUDOLF STEINER SCHOOL COLLEGE PRINCIPAL GROUP

Management

NAG 5 Policy on **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Procedure . 5.7 re SUN PROTECTION

- 1. Children will be expected to wear hats when involved in outdoor activities at school (playtime, lunchtime) during summer (Terms 1 and 4).
- 2. Hats and <u>sunblock</u> are expected to be used when children are involved in sporting activities or on camp
- 3. Staff will act as role models by employing appropriate sun protective behaviour for summer outdoor activities. i.e. wear sunhats
- 4. Children will eat their lunch inside classrooms or under shaded areas with teacher supervision.
- 5. SPF 15+ Broad Spectrum Sunscreen will be available for staff and children and its use encouraged, especially on days of high risk. Parents are encouraged to put sunscreen on their own children.
- 6. Sun protection will be reinforced in a positive way through school newsletters and the health programme that promotes melanoma awareness.
- 7. BOT is encouraged to consider shade areas around the school

Suggested SUN PROTECTION PROCEDURE

- During the summer months all children will sit under the shade area or on the veranda for lunch.
- > SPF15+ Broad Spectrum, water resistant sunscreen will be available for staff and children, and its use encouraged, especially on days of high risk.
- > The playground areas will be planted with shade trees so children can play in the shade.
- > Where possible outdoor activities and sports will be scheduled for the mornings during the summer months.
- > Children will be encouraged to wear hats which protect the face, neck and ears while they are outside.
- > Staff will be encouraged to act as role models by wearing appropriate hats and clothing for all summer outdoor activities, wearing sunscreen, as above and seeking shade wherever possible.
- > Programmes on melanoma will be incorporated into the school curriculum, especially at the beginning of the summer months.
- > The Sun Protection School Policy will be regularly reinforced in a positive way through newsletters, parent meetings, student and teacher activities.

Parents/guardians will be provided with information on our Sun Protection School Policy on enrolment.

Signed

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