

## No Hat No Play Policy

In Deira Private School we care about our student's safety. We want to ensure that all our students follow the school guidelines while playing both indoor and outdoor. We will not compromise as the health and safety of our students are of utmost priority.

### Objective:

To promote sun safety and protect students from harmful UV radiation during outdoor activities. Wearing a hat can help protect the face from the sun's harmful UV rays, help keep the head cool in hot weather, help to reduce the risk of developing skin cancer and help to prevent sunburns.

### Responsibilities:

#### 1. Staff-

- a. **Enforcement:** Teachers and staff are responsible for ensuring that "No Hat No Play" Policy is consistently enforced during outdoor activities.
- b. **Modeling:** Staff should serve as role models by wearing hats themselves and encouraging sun-safe practices among students.
- c. **Education:** Provide sun safety education to students through classroom discussions, posters and reminders.

#### 2. Students-

- a. **Compliance:** Students must wear a hat that provides adequate sun protection during outdoor activities. Hats should cover the head, ears and neck.
- b. **Ownership:** Students are responsible for bringing their own hats to school and taking care of them.
- c. **Report:** If a student forgets their hat, they should promptly report it to a teacher or staff member.

#### 3. Parents-

- a. **Provide Hats:** Parents are responsible for ensuring that their child has a suitable hat for school and understands the importance of wearing it.
- b. **Support Education:** Encourage and reinforce sun safety education at home including the significance of wearing hats outdoor.

- c. Communication: Parents should promptly inform the school if their child has a medical condition or other reasons that prevent them wearing a hat.

#### Enforcement

- The school will implement a system of reminders and consequences for non-compliance.
- Repeated non-compliance may lead to restrictions on outdoor play or participation in outdoor activities.

#### Exceptions

- Students with valid medical reasons for not wearing hats should provide a medical certificate, and alternative sun protection measures will be put in place.

#### Review

-This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure its effectiveness and relevance. Any necessary updates will be made aligned with best practices in sun safety.

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