MISSION STATEMENT

In the spirit of John XXIII, Mary Ward and Ignatius Loyola, we seek to be people of competence, conscience and compassion who are committed to God and the service of others.

RATIONALE

To offer students and staff reasonable protection from the dangers of exposure to the sun.

This policy applies from Prekindergarten to Year 6

Primary School

- Students required to wear College SunSmart broad-brimmed or bucket hat when outdoors.
- No hat, students to play in the shade.
- SPF 50+ Sunscreen is available in all Primary school classrooms.
- Encourage application of SPF 50+ sunscreen prior to outdoor activities.
- Students required to wear College rash vests during swimming (this may not be appropriate during competitive swimming).
- SPF 50+ sunscreen placed in excursion, camp and sport first aid kits.

General

- All students are encouraged to apply SPF 50+ sunscreen before: coming to school, recess, lunch, during outdoor sport lessons and during any other outdoor activity.
- Students and staff encouraged to wear SunSmart hat and SPF 50+ Sunscreen when outdoors.
- Students required to wear College rash vests during swimming (this may not be appropriate during competitive swimming).
- SPF 50+ Sunscreen is available for use from: canteen, sport department, student receptions, Library and Health Centre.
- SPF 50+ sunscreen placed in excursion, camp and sport first aid kits.
- Provide adequate shade within the College.
- Students and staff encouraged to use available shade on College campus.
- Ensure SunSmart guidelines are reflected in the planning of all outdoor events.
- Staff and parents encouraged to model SunSmart behaviour.
- Reinforce SunSmart practice through: College newsletter, student bulletin, SunSmart displays and posters in Health Centre.
- Incorporate SunSmart/skin cancer prevention programs as part of school curriculum.

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

- Review effectiveness of SunSmart guidelines 2 yearly.
- Review Sunsmart behaviour of students and staff.
- Assess shade provision and usage.
- Provide up-to-date information on skin cancer and its prevention.

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