



Early Learning and Childcare Centre

## **SUN AWARENESS POLICY**

The Care Inspectorate's Health and Social Care Standards inform the standard of practice expected of Ferryfield's staff, when following this policy they are adhering to:

### **Standard 1: I experience high quality care and support that is right for me**

#### Responsive care and support

Experiencing my care and support

1.19 – My care and support meets my needs and is right for me.

1.24 – Any treatment or intervention that I experience is safe and effective.

#### Wellbeing

1.39 – I can drink fresh water at all times.

### **Standard 3: I have confidence in the people who support and care for me**

#### Wellbeing

3.20 – I am protected from harm, neglect, abuse, bullying and exploitation by people who have a clear understanding of their responsibilities.

### **Standard 4: I have confidence in the organisation providing my care and support**

#### Dignity and respected

4.1 – My human rights are central to the organisations that support and care for me.

4.2 – The organisations that support and care for me help tackle health and social inequalities.

#### Responsive care and support

4.11 – I experience high quality care and support based on relevant evidence, guidance and best practice.

#### Wellbeing

4.23 – I use a service and organisation that are well led and managed.

4.27 – I experience high quality care and support because people have the necessary information and resources.

Young children need special care when they are in the sun as they are vulnerable to sunburn, so as adults it is important that we take precautions for them. However the sun also provides health benefits and so a balance must be drawn.

- Staff will attend training, if available, about the benefits of the sun and the risks of sunburn and how to prevent it.
- Staff will ensure that protective care is provided when necessary.
- Particular care will be taken when children are outside during the hottest part of the day (between 11am and 3pm).
- Children will have access to fresh water and will be encouraged to drink when the weather is hot.

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- Ferryfield will provide all children with brimmed hats and will ensure children are issued with them and will encourage children to keep them on.
- Parents will be asked to provide each child with sunscreen, which should have a sun protection factor of 30.
- If parents do not provide their own sunscreen, staff will use Ferryfield's sunscreen which has a sun protection factor of 30.
- If available, children will be encouraged to play in shady areas when outdoors in strong sunshine.
- The staff will spend time explaining to the children about sun safety and how child can help themselves to not get burnt or dehydrated when it is hot.

Adopted by the Committee .....

Date .....

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