



# Swallowcliffe P-7

We value **Honesty, Respect, Achievement**

## SWALLOWCLIFFE PRESCHOOL SunSmart Policy

### Rationale:

- Australia has the highest incidence of skin cancer in the world, with skin cancers accounting for around 80% of all new cancers diagnosed each year in Australia.
- Skin damage, including skin cancer, is the result of cumulative exposure to the sun. Much of the damage occurs during childhood and adolescence. Research suggests that severe sunburn is a contributor to skin cancer and other forms of skin damage such as wrinkles, sunspots, blemishes and premature ageing. Most skin damage and skin cancer is, therefore, preventable.

### Aim:

The aims of the Swallowcliffe School SunSmart policy are to promote among students, staff and parents a positive attitude towards skin protection and to provide lifestyle practices that reduce the incidence of skin cancers. Our aim is to ensure that all our members of our PreSchool are protected from sun damage caused by harmful rays of the sun.

### Implementation:

The policy is for implementation for the School year and for specified PreSchool events. It is expected that all staff, students and parents of Swallowcliffe PreSchool use the following strategies.

1. The UV rating will be checked daily. If the UV rating is 3+ all children and staff must wear a hat outdoors.
2. Parents are advised to dress students in appropriate sun protective clothing – i.e. dresses with sleeves. Staff and students are expected to wear a broad brimmed, legionnaire or bucket style hats whenever outside for each term. Students not wearing an appropriate hat will be expected to play indoors.
3. Parents are expected to apply broad-spectrum sunscreen with an SPF of 30+ to clean, dry skin before they come to their PreSchool session. If children are at the PreSchool for longer than 3 hours staff will provide sunscreen throughout the daily routine every 3 hours.
4. Reinforcing the SunSmart message in all PreSchool activities and curriculum. Staff will be expected to role model SunSmart behaviours in all outdoor activities.
5. Skin protection will be incorporated into enrolment information, excursion notes and School/PreSchool newsletters.
6. When eating outside seating will be provided in shaded areas.

### *Refer to Hot Weather*

**Our Mission:** To empower students to recognise and optimise their full learning potential.



Government of South Australia  
Department for Education and  
Child Development

Principal: Ms Tonia Noble • Swallowcliffe Road, Davoren Park SA 5113  
Ph: 8255 2908 • Fax: 8287 0559 • E: dl.1062.info@schools.sa.edu.au



/ Swallowcliffe Schools [www.swallowc7.sa.edu.au](http://www.swallowc7.sa.edu.au)



# Swallowcliffe P-7

We value **Honesty, Respect, Achievement**

## Promotion:

The policy will be promoted by:

- Families being informed via the newsletter and other correspondence.
- New families to the centre being informed via the Enrolment Information package.
- Staff being informed and provided with training opportunities.
- Students being informed via teachers

Reviewed: May 2017

Swallowcliffe

**Our Mission:** To empower students to recognise and optimise their full learning potential.



Government of South Australia  
Department for Education and  
Child Development

Principal: Ms Tonia Noble • Swallowcliffe Road, Davoren Park SA 5113  
Ph: 8255 2908 • Fax: 8287 0559 • E: dl.1062.info@schools.sa.edu.au



/ Swallowcliffe Schools [www.swallowc7.sa.edu.au](http://www.swallowc7.sa.edu.au)