**Eldene Pre-School & Toddlers**

**1:H Sun Protection Policy**

**Statement of Intent**

At Eldene Pre-School & Toddlers we want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We will use the sunny weather as an opportunity to educate the children about how to keep themselves safe in the sun.

All children will be given a talk about we need to look after our skin and protect it from the sun’s harmful rays, by wearing hats, applying suncream and drinking water. The message will be re-enforced in the summer term.

**Shade**

The garden area is quite open and the amount of shade is limited. We will place umbrellas over the sand and water trays and place activities under the canopy.

**Hats**

All children will be required to wear a hat when playing outside in the sun. We have spare hats to lend to children who have forgotten theirs. We encourage children to cover exposed area of skin such as shoulders. Children will not be allowed outside unless they are wearing a hat.

**Sunscreen**

We ask parents to apply waterproof sun cream to their child before they come to pre-school during the summer months.

Children staying all day must bring a named bottled of waterproof sun scream to pre-school each day. Parents must sign a consent form giving staff permission to re-apply their sun cream when necessary, this will usually be lunchtime.

Children who are not wearing sun cream will not be allowed outside to play. Children who stay all day who do not have a bottle of sun cream for re-application at lunchtime will not be allowed outside after lunch.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Eldene Pre-school & Toddlers

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1. Hanrahan Ann-Marie Hanrahan – Chairperson signed on behalf of Eldene Pre-School & Toddlers