

# St Gerard Majella School

## **SunSmart Policy**

#### **PREAMBLE**

St. Gerard Majella School realises the need to protect children's skin and educate them about SunSmart behaviour, thus reducing the risk of skin damage from exposure to the sun.

#### **POLICY**

St Gerard Majella School will provide ongoing education that promotes personal responsibility to prevent skin damage from sun and UV exposure and to provide environments that support SunSmart practices.

#### **VALUES**

Respect, Love, Care, Justice, Service, Reverence, Responsibility.

#### **PRINCIPLES**

- This SunSmart policy is to ensure that all children attending our School are protected from the harmful effects of the sun throughout the year.
- Outdoor activities where possible should be minimised between 10am 3pm where possible.
- Make available SPF30 or higher broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen or encourage children to supply their own.
- Strategies are in place to encourage children to apply sunscreen 20 minutes before going outdoors and to reapply every 2 hours when outdoors for extended periods.
- St. Gerard Majella School will seek to conform to Queensland Government SunSmart guidelines.
- The Parent Handbook will detail SunSmart procedures.

### **EVALUATION**

This policy is to be reviewed as part of the School's renewal cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Board on 24 November 2021

Chair Signature.....

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