



# Sun Safe Policy

### **RATIONALE:**

To ensure safety for all children while attending Akoranga Preschool from the damaging effects of the sun.

## <u>TE WHĀRIKI</u>

Well-being - Goal 1. Children experience an environment where their health is promoted

## **PROCEDURES/PRACTICES:**

- Staff at Akoranga Preschool will provide an environment where there is adequate sun shade over the fixed play areas outside ie. Sandpit, water play, climbing/slide area
- Children will be required to wear **sunhats** either supplied by their parents or Akoranga Preschool
- Staff will be expected to model the wearing of HATS outside as well as appropriate clothing, NO SLEEVELESS TOPS OR SINGLETS, NO JANDALS TO WORN, OR BARE-FEET
- Children will be encouraged to stay in the shade in the hottest part of the day. If this causes some upset from the child, the teacher has the right to direct the child indoors for safety
- Families are expected to sunblock their children before they arrive at Akoranga. The Centre will follow this up by also sun-blocking every 4 hours or as directed on sunblock bottle
- Children with sensitive skin will need to supply their own sunscreen, clearly named
- Children will choose to stay indoors if not dressed appropriately this meaning NO SLEEVELESS TOPS OR SINGLETS, NO JANDELS TO BE WORN, OR BARE-FEET.
- Teachers will choose to send a child inside if they are not dressed appropriately also.
- Staff will consult with each other about hottest parts of the day, making decisions whether to bring children in or not.

### **CONSULTATION:**

With who? How? By when?

Consultation:

- Who?
- How?
- When?

Date: Jan 19

Review: Jan 20 (yearly as the ozone layer can change season to season)