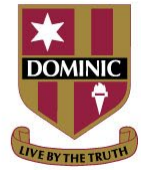


DOMINIC COLLEGE

A Catholic School in the Salesian Tradition



SUN SAFE POLICY

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1. PURPOSE

At Dominic College we aim to:

- Ensure staff and students maintain a healthy UV balance all year round.
- Provide advice and support in protection from high UV levels and appropriate amounts of sun exposure for Vitamin D production.
- Support sun safety through a variety of means.
- Provide clear expectations for application of sun safe methods.

2. SUN SAFE METHODS

Dominic College provides support for sun safety through a variety of means.

STAFF AND STUDENT CLOTHING CHOICES

- Sun safe shirts for maintenance staff
- School hats K-10
- Long sleeve school shirt options
- Long sleeve blazer
- Sun safe materials for our uniform
- Encouraging appropriate sun safe choices for free dress days

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Outdoor activities will consider and implement the following.

- Activities scheduled outside of major UV times where possible (September to April).
- Compulsory wearing of hats (K-6) during Term 1 and 4 or as directed.
- Students encouraged to supply and use own sunscreen.
- School supplied sunscreen provided if required for both staff and students.
- Staff to assist younger students to apply sunscreen.
- Scheduled reapplication times every 2 hours or more often if required e.g. following swimming.
- Encouraging use of sunglasses compliant with Australian Standards.
- Use of shade where possible.
- School planning to supply appropriate shade for outdoor play.

WATER BASED EVENTS

All outdoor water-based events will require students to wear appropriate swim wear that covers shoulders and back e.g. a rash vest.

3. EXCEPTIONS

VITAMIN D DEFICIENCY

Some staff and students may, following medical advice, require larger doses of Vitamin D. This may require them to forgo the use of sunscreen and hats. A doctor's certificate must be supplied to excuse students from the obligations of this policy.

SUNSCREEN

Some staff or students may have allergies to sunscreens. They are encouraged to supply their own allergy free sunscreen. Alternately, shade play or protective clothing may be required.