## BATHGATE EARLY YEARS CENTRE

## A Reminder......

## Information for parents/carers re WLC Sunscreen Procedure - 21 April 2016

As stated earlier this session West Lothian Council Education Services reviewed their procedure for all schools in relation to applying sunscreen to children.

As you may know we encourage parents/ carers to take responsibility to protect their own child from the dangers of the sun by applying sunscreen to the child at home before coming to nursery for the start of each session and/ or choosing clothing appropriately for outdoor play.

Staff also monitor the amount of time children play outdoors particularly on sunny days and ensure children can play and rest in shaded areas. This has worked successfully and in the case of children attending for longer sessions, i.e. wraparound, staff have sought parents' written permission to apply his / her own sunscreen as per directions on the bottle.

In addition we have also provided a bottle of cream at the centre for parents/ carers to use if they forget to apply cream/ lotion before leaving home for nursery.

Since September 2015 it has been the parent/carers responsibility to ensure sunscreen is applied to nursery children before leaving home. Staff cannot supply any sunscreen at nursery/wraparound.

If your child attends Wraparound at BEYC you will need to supply suitable sunscreen when your child comes to nursery/ wraparound and complete the relevant medical permission form which will be available from Wraparound staff.

Staff at Bathgate E.Y.C. cannot apply sunscreen to any child without the written consent of a parent/carer.

Thankyou for your support in implementing this procedure.

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