

STAYING SAFE IN SUMMER



summer is almost here, which means there are lots of opportunities for children to play and enjoy the OUTDOORS, KEEP IN MIND WHEN TEACHING SAFETY, LET KIDS BE KIDS, 🧩

SOME SAFETY TIPS DURING SUMMER

There are many ways we can keep our children safe during summer by:

- Drinking lots of water
- Eating plenty of fruit and healthy foods
- Dressing to appreciate the heat
- · Finding shaded areas to play in, especially during the hottest part of the day
- Applying natural sunscreen (when purchasing sunscreen check out what is in it to make sure there are no nasties)

Read SeeMore Safety at the Beach, for more ways to stay safe during Summer. You can find it in the virtual classroom, go to:kidsfoundation.org.au/classroom

WATER SAFETY



As the weather warms up everyone likes to cool off at the beach, in a pool or waterpark. If you're going to a place to cool down remember to:

- Actively supervise your children
- If at the beach swim between the red and yellow flags
- Make sure there is a shaded area or take your own shade device
 - Keep children hydrated
 - Wear appropriate swimwear and clothing
 - Apply natural sunscreen when appropriate
- Encourage good behaviour, no pushing and running near the waters edge, as they can be slippery

MINDFUL MOMENTS

A simple way to have children embrace mindfulness is to participate in simple mindful moments, like cloud gazing or bird watching.

In a sandpit or sand tray draw a continuous line with random curves. Place your hand in the sand and with your index finger on the other hand draw around your fingers making mountain or wave shapes.



For a special element this could be done in a Zen Garden.

COLOUR IN THE SUMMER PICTURES

More activities for you to do with your childcare are available in the parent resource section of the virtual classrooom. Visit: kidsfoundation.org.au/classroom



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