Dear Parents,

After significant reflection, the College will be working hard to implement a comprehensive Sun Smart Policy to be rolled out over the remainder of 2013, and as such we seek the support and encouragement of parents to undertake this important endeavour.

The key aspects of the policy are:

- Implementing a significant change of behaviour amongst our students in regard to wearing suitable hats when working and playing in the sun.
- Improving access to sunscreen during the school day and encouraging its usage.
- Ongoing reviews and improvements of the available shade areas for students at school.
- Greater emphasis and education of students regarding the importance of sun protection and its long term effects.

Term 2 Arrangements

- From the beginning of Term 2 we would like to see all students wearing broad brimmed hats to and from school, and throughout the school day. We will be working hard to educate, support and encourage students to do this. From Term 3 the wearing of hats will be compulsory, in line with the College’s new Sun Smart policy.
- During Term 2, students may wear any tasteful broad brimmed hat they like – either a hat of their choice, the official College ‘bucket’ style hat or the official broad brimmed hat for girls.
- Caps are not regarded as a suitable sun protection measure, but the official College cap will be accepted in Term 2.
- There will be weekly spot prizes and other significant incentives for students who bring a broad brimmed hat to school and wear it.
- There will also be a House competition throughout Term 2 for the House with the most number of students wearing hats.

The impact and importance of this policy is also due to the fact we live in one of the hottest regions of Australia and good sun protection for our children is vital to help protect them.

We look forward to your support and an exciting term, as we implement this policy in a fun but comprehensive manner with positive outcomes for everyone.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Tudor
Headmaster