

Win £1,000 for your school



PLAYGROUND SHADE SCHOOLS' COMPETITION 2011



Skin Cancer Research Fund
Frenchay Hospital, Bristol

DOES YOUR PLAYGROUND NEED SHADE?

Does your school have shaded areas that pupils can use when outside at lunch times and break times, or are they at risk of getting sun burnt?

Do you want to be able to provide more shade in your school grounds? SCaRF - the Skin Cancer Research Fund based at Frenchay Hospital, Bristol - can help. Since 1999, SCaRF has given local primary schools over £38,000 towards the construction of shaded areas in school grounds, helping to protect children's delicate skin.

How the competition works

- To enter, just tell us your ideas for providing shade in your school's grounds - either as part of an existing development or a new project. **Your entry must include evidence**

that the children have been involved with the planning, for example in pictures, surveys conducted by the children, data gathering by pupils, measuring the site and size of planned structure, etc.

- Your project could be any type of construction: it could be a gazebo, pergola, lean-to canopy, a covered walkway or tree planting.

- Whatever it is, tell us about it, and if you win we help to finance it, matching your funds pound for pound up to a maximum of £1,000.



A winning design at Locking Primary School, Weston-Super-Mare, part funded by SCaRF and Friends of Locking Primary School

WHY DOES SUN SAFETY MATTER?

Children's skin is vulnerable to sun damage. There is strong evidence to show that sun damage caused to the skin before the age of 16 years can increase the chances of getting skin cancer in later life.

Children are often outside during the school day when the sun is at its strongest and most damaging.

The Trustees of SCaRF are concerned about this potential threat to our children. Parents are becoming increasingly concerned that schools should provide more shade for their children in their play and learning environment.

2011 will be the 13th successive year that SCaRF has organised a competition for all primary schools in the local area to encourage the provision of shaded areas in school grounds.



The amount of prize money available in 2011 is £4,000.

The competition is open to all primary schools in:

- Bath and North East Somerset
- Bristol City
- North Somerset
- South Gloucestershire

HOW TO ENTER

SCaRF will match the funds of the winning schools pound for pound, up to a maximum of £1,000, in order to help you achieve your chosen structure. So, for example, if a winning school has raised, saved or set aside £300, SCaRF will give an equal amount to enable a project costing £600 to be fully funded.

Complete the enclosed entry form giving details of:

- your school's sun safety policy, if you have one
- a brief description of your school's grounds
- 100 words about your plans to increase shade provision
- 100 words about how the scheme fits with the children's curriculum work
- some details about the construction plans - who will do the work, costs, proposed start and finish dates
- Evidence that the children have in some way been involved with the plans for the new shade structure within the school.
- a sketch or plan of your proposed structure.

CLOSING DATE: 31st OCTOBER 2011

If you would like more information about sun awareness and the need for shade, or you would like someone to call at your school to discuss it, please contact Caroline Newton using the details below.



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