



15th September 2017

Medical Information –Whole School

Dear Parents/Carer

It has come to our attention that a child in our Reception Class has a severe allergic reaction to nuts (including peanuts, peanut butter, pecans, walnuts, nut oils, nut flavourings etc.)

This allergic reaction (anaphylactic shock) can occur through ingestion of nut products, cross contamination and breathing nuts in the air.

Since this condition can be life threatening, we are asking for your help in minimising the risk to this child by:

- a) Avoiding giving children peanuts in school lunches
- b) Avoiding giving peanut butter sandwiches, other spreads containing nuts such as Nutella and snacks/bars containing nuts or labelled "may contain nut traces" in school lunches
- c) Asking children **not** to share their lunches or snacks.

Due to the severity of the problem, it is important that all parents carry out the suggested measures and reduce the risk of allergic reaction to this child and other children who, although not as severe, have an allergy to nuts.

As a school we want to be able to support children and families with any medical needs they may have and as such we would urge you to keep school fully informed and up to date regarding any medical condition relating to your child.

We thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

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