



Nansledan School

Head of School: Mrs V Dilnot

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Dear Parents and Carers,

People who suffer from nut allergies can develop a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction.

If someone has a nut allergy it is not just eating nuts that can cause a severe reaction, just being touched on the skin or smelling the breath of someone who has had nuts or a product containing nuts can trigger anaphylactic shock (which can cause breathing and swallowing difficulties).

Nansledan School has a duty of care to all our children so needs to have procedures in place to minimise the risk of a severe allergic reaction occurring. First aid staff in the school are trained to use the Epi-pens (an injection of adrenalin) which is required immediately if this happens. We have a number of children on roll with severe nut allergies.

Due to the medical needs of some of our children and the high risk of cross contamination we cannot have nuts in school in any form. So please can we ask that you have no nut products in the lunch boxes or brought into the school as treats.

For example:

- Peanut butter sandwiches or cakes
- Chocolate spreads
- Cereal bars
- Some granola bars
- Cakes that contain nuts
- Biscuits / Cookies that contain nuts
- Some Asian food, including satay Sauces that contain nuts

This list is not exhaustive, so please check the packaging of products closely. We appreciate that this is an additional thing to check and we know that you recognise the importance of it. We do have to insist we are a nut free school. I know if this was your child you would expect that we all help, especially as it is a life-threatening condition.

With kind regards,

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