



WOOLASTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

At Woolaston Primary School, we want provide a safe learning environment for all students. Due to some of our pupils suffering with life threatening nut allergies, we continue to be a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**.

An allergic reaction (anaphylactic shock) can occur through ingestion of nut products, cross contamination and breathing nut dust in the air. Since this condition can be life threatening, we are asking all members of the school community for their help in minimising the risk to these children by:

- Avoiding giving children nuts or nut products in their packed lunches Examples include peanut butter or chocolate spread sandwiches, satay products, snickers bars etc
- Avoiding giving nuts or nut products or snacks/bars containing nuts for break time snacks e.g some muesli bars
- Avoiding supplying the school or PTFA with cakes or food items containing nuts for birthday celebrations, sales or events
- Avoiding sending containers such as cereal boxes for DT / Art lessons into school which may have contained produce made with nuts

We do acknowledge that many foods are labelled as 'may have been produced in a factory handling nuts and cannot be guaranteed to be nut free'. Such items will be allowed in school as it would be unreasonable to expect these to be kept out of school.

Please note where a member of staff notices a pupil eating a nut product, the product will be sensitively removed and the member of staff will explain why this has to be done: we will provide an alternative product to ensure the child isn't hungry. A message will then be sent to the parent to explain what has happened so they are fully informed and to remind them of our Allergies Policy.

Due to the severity of the problem, it is important that all parents and carers carry out the suggested measures and reduce the risk of allergic reaction to these children.

Many thanks for your continued cooperation

Miss Lane