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We are a Peanut and Nut Free School.

We have a pupil who has a severe allergic reaction to nuts and peanuts. Severe allergic reactions result in anaphylaxis and can be fatal. Nuts and Peanuts can cause severe allergic reactions in a wide range of ways. A person with an allergy does not have to eat nuts or peanuts to have a severe reaction, this can be caused by surface contact and airborne particles. This allergy effects approximately 1/50 children and adults.

In recent years we have seen a sharp increase in snacks containing peanuts and a rise in the use of peanut butter in sandwiches. As a school we have a responsibility to keep our students, staff and visitors safe and to reduce risk of harm. As you can imagine in a busy school environment this can be a challenge and following consideration, we feel the only way to protect those students is by removing the allergens from the school.

What this will mean?

- Students, staff and visitors **will not** be able to bring products containing nuts or peanuts into school.
- Items that are found to break this rule will be confiscated and disposed of safely.

What products will not be allowed in school?

- Peanuts and nuts and products containing peanuts or nuts.
- Peanut butter or peanut based chocolate snacks (Snickers/ Reece's pieces etc).
- Items where peanuts or nuts are listed as main ingredients.
- Nut or peanut based oils or products.

To find out more information about nut and peanut allergies please follow the link below:

<https://www.allergyuk.org/information-and-advice/conditions-and-symptoms/778-peanut-allergy>

Thank you for your continued support in keeping our children safe in school.

Kind regards
Mr Tipple-Johnson