



St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

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REVIEW OF ALLERGEN AND ANAPHYLAXIS

Dear Parents,

I am writing to you as your child has been identified with having an allergy that the school has been made aware of.

As part of our procedures to keep children with allergies in school as safe as possible, we regularly review our policies, procedures and practice. As a result of our recent review, I would like to inform you of some further changes we are now going to be implementing to keep children with allergies even safer in school. I welcome your feedback on these new changes and welcome any further suggestions.

Even better practice includes:

Communication

- In September, ALL parents in school will receive a 1 page A4 document that will not be attached to any other document. This will contain information on the school's policy and procedures on allergies and the seriousness of why certain foods, ingredients and substances are prohibited. It will also explain to parents what will happen should their child be found to have brought nuts into school (one of the most common food allergens). We will also send out a polite request that no presents are brought in for staff that contain nuts i.e. chocolates such as Ferrero Rocher.

Dinner time

- ALL children bringing lunchboxes to school must have a clearly identifiable sticker on the lunchbox, so it stands out from other lunchboxes (as well as containing a label with the child's name and class). For example; a gold star.



School Trips

- Children with allergens going on a school trip will wear a wristband stating that they have an allergy and that their medication is in their bag.



If you would like to share your thoughts or give some suggestions, on our policy, procedures and practice of managing children with allergens. Please send me a message on class dojo and I will get back to you.

Yours sincerely,

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