



# Littlehampton Primary School Littlehampton Preschool Nut Awareness Policy\*

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## **NUT ALLERGY AWARENESS POLICY\*** Please note, if there is a student or child with fish allergies, those that also apply to fish are marked with **f**

### **Purpose:**

- To provide a safe learning environment for all members of the Littlehampton Primary School community.
- To raise the awareness of all members of the community regarding severe allergies.

### **Management - the Nut Aware policy will be managed by:**

- All parents and caregivers being requested **NOT** to send food to school that contains nuts (especially peanuts and cashews). This includes peanut paste, nutella, all nuts and cooking oil containing peanut oil, as well as foods containing nuts. This is especially important in the Junior Primary Unit, where young children are less able to manage their allergy. Note that many snack bars and muesli bars contain nuts.
- Students being encouraged **NOT** to share food. **f**
- Students being encouraged to wash hands after eating. **f**
- Staff participating in accredited training in dealing with Anaphylaxis (severe allergic reactions) as the need arises.
- The lunch order price list is consistent with the Nut Awareness Policy.
- Staff supervising eating at lunch time. They will either:
  - ask students with allergies to sit with friends away from other students **f** or
  - ask students who have brought food containing nuts or nut products to eat that food away from any other students and to wash their hands before going to play **f**.
  - Staff will send home a reminder note to parents with reference to this Nut Aware policy when nuts are brought to school.

(The strategy used is at the discretion of the teacher and will depend on the age of the students and other classroom management factors.)

### **Promotion -the policy will be promoted by:**

- Parents and caregivers being informed via the newsletter **f**
- New families to the school community being informed via the Enrolment Information Package **f**.
- Staff being informed and provided with training opportunities **f**
- Students being informed via teachers **f**, signs and the newsletter **f**

### **Preschool**

.Due to the special needs of 4 year old children, the following additional procedures take place in the Preschool:

- Recyclable materials for craft must be free from traces of nuts, milk, egg, cereal, muesli bars etc. If in doubt please ask a staff member.
- A standard letter is given to parents when a child brings food which is not appropriate.

\* This school acknowledges that due to food processing practices it is impractical to eliminate nuts or nut products entirely from an environment where there is food. Thus Nut "Aware" School.

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