

# St. Peter's Primary School



Allergy Policy



#### **Allergies Policy**

Around 5-8% of children in the UK live with a food allergy, and most school classrooms will have at least one allergic pupil. These young people are at risk of anaphylaxis, a potentially life-threatening reaction which requires an immediate emergency response. 20% of severe allergic reactions to food happen whilst a child is at school, and these reactions can occur in children with no prior history of food allergy. It is essential that staff recognise the signs of an allergic reaction and can manage it safely and effectively.

#### First Aid training

See appendix 1 for list of First Aiders, these staff members have undertaken First Aid at work, Emergency First Aid or Paediatric First Aid training all of which included modules on anaphylaxis. See First Aid Policy for more details.

#### Anaphylactic Shock

We have members of staff who are trained anaphylaxis shock responders.

#### Information is stored

List of pupils of medical conditions including allergies is stored on SIMs and each class teacher knows pupil's medical condition and suitable medication.

#### Care plans

Pupils with specific medical needs including severe allergies have care plans in place. These are displayed in the classrooms. Information on the care plan includes: name, class, medical need, treatment and suitable medication.

#### Highlighted on Risk assessments

All pupils with serious allergies are highlighted on the school's risk assessment format. This is used for all trips and whenever leaving the school. All suitable medication is taken on trips with the trip leader or First Aider. All staff are aware of the child's care plan where necessary.

#### Allergens in foods

Food is served in the Breakfast Club and Nursery. A list of possible allergens in these foods is logged. Allergen information is also displayed in the Breakfast Club area.

#### No nuts school

Occasionally pupils at St Peter's school have allergies to nuts. In serious cases a care plan is in place (see above) for these pupils. When a pupil does have a serious allergy school staff are aware and the above procedures are followed. As a result of potential allergies St Peter's is a nut free school.

#### **Change History**

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