



Salisbury Heights Primary School Nut Awareness Policy

Purpose

- To provide a safe environment at Salisbury Heights Primary School by minimising the risk of severe allergic reactions to nuts and nut products.
- To raise awareness of severe allergies with all members of the school community.

Management

Where a parent of a child with an allergy to nuts or nut products has alerted the school (through medical evidence/documentation) the school will support in the following ways:

- Staff will be made aware of students that have anaphylactic responses including nut allergies
- Some staff will participate in training from St John/Red Cross in understanding and dealing with anaphylaxis as the need arises
- A medical action plan will be developed
- Parents and caregivers of student in the early years (ie 5-7 years of age) in the child's class may be requested not to send food to school that contains nuts. This may include peanut butter & nut based spreads such as Nutella
- Student will be encouraged to not share food
- Staff will supervise lunchtime eating
- Staff will raise the awareness of class members about students with severe reactions
- The school canteen will comply with the Nut Awareness Policy

We acknowledge that due to food processing practices, it is impractical to eliminate nuts or nut products entirely from an environment where there is food therefore we are a 'Nut Aware School'

The ASCIA (Australasian Society of Clinical Immunology and Allergy) 'Guidelines for Prevention of Food Anaphylactic Reactions in Schools, Pre-Schools and Childcare Centres' has been referred to in developing these policy guidelines.