



BLYTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Very Important Information-Nut Policy

All families are NOT to send food to school that contains nuts (especially peanuts, cashews, and pistachios). This includes peanut paste, Nutella, all nuts, and cooking oil containing peanut oil, as well as foods containing nuts. Please ensure you check muesli bars as sometimes these do contain nuts.

Purpose:

To raise the awareness of all members of the community regarding severe nut allergies.

To raise awareness of all members of the community that there are students that attend Blyth Primary School currently that have severe allergies.

To ensure that students who have nut allergies in our school are cared for at school by limiting the exposure.

Management

- Enrolling parents asked for information about possible allergies. If needed Health Care Plans are to be developed in consultation with family doctor, and a copy of information given to the school.
- Parents/caregivers will be responsible for providing medication that is within expiry date and listed on the student's Health care Plan.
- Medications will be kept at hand and checked for expiry regularly by Front Office Staff.
- Students identified with nut allergies are made known to all staff members.
- Staff will undertake regular First Aid Training of procedures needed in the case of managing a student with an allergic reaction. First Aid Training will include understanding and dealing with Anaphylaxis (severe allergic reactions).
- Staff will supervise eating at lunch time.
- Students are NOT to share food or drinks.
- Students will wash hands & sanitise before and after eating.
- School activities such as fundraising, camps and excursions must comply with the Nut Awareness Policy
- Students who accidentally bring food that contains nuts or nut products will have the food isolated by a staff member and the parent/caregiver will be contacted to provide another option.

** 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 but with support of families contact will be very limited.*