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# **NUT AWARE POLICY**

## **Purpose:**

- To provide a safe learning environment for all members of the Keller Road Primary School community.
- To raise the awareness of all members of the community regarding severe allergies.
- To continually review awareness of allergies (including nuts) in our school

## Management

## Stage 1 (No identified student in the school)

• Enrolling parents asked for information about possible allergies.

## Stage 2 (on enrolment of an identified student the school will move to stage 2)

The Nut Aware policy will be managed by:

- Parents and caregivers in a classroom may be requested NOT to send food to school that contain nuts (especially peanuts). This includes peanut paste, Nutella, all nuts and cooking oil containing peanut oil, as well as foods containing nuts. This will apply in particular to the learning unit that the student is in.
- Staff will supervise eating after break times.
- Students will be encouraged NOT to share food.
- Students will be encouraged to wash hands after eating.
- Staff participating in training from St John in understanding and dealing with anaphylaxis (severe allergic reactions) as the need arises.
- School activities such as fundraising, camps and excursions will comply with the Nut Awareness Policy
- Students bringing food that contains nuts or nut products will be asked to eat that food away from any other students and to wash their hands before going to play.

#### Promotion

#### The policy will be promoted by:

- Parents and caregivers being informed via the newsletter
- New families to the school community being informed via the Enrolment Information Package.
- Governing Council being informed giving approval and support
- Staff being informed and provided with training opportunities
- Students being informed via teachers, signs and the newsletter

\* 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.

\*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. \*