



# Spalding Parish Church of England Day School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## Nut Free School

I am writing again with regards to our policy of being a nut free school. As I said in my earlier communication, we have an increasing number of members of our school community who have nut allergies. Anaphylaxis (allergic reaction) can occur as a result of **digestion, inhalation** or **any other contact** with nut-based products. For their safety, we have made the commitment to be a nut-free school which means **all nut-based products are prohibited** from the school premises.

From this point forward, please do not send your child into school with any nut-based product for packed lunch or for a snack – this includes all products that may contain traces of nuts.

### Potential allergens could include the following:

- Spreads, e.g. chocolate spread
- Cereal bars
- Some types of biscuit containing nuts
- Condiments, e.g. satay sauce
- Cakes containing nuts
- Snack pots containing nuts



**Examples of items  
not allowed in school**

It is important that you check the labelling of food products before sending your child into school with them – it is not always apparent that products contain nuts or traces of nuts.

We also ask that, if your child consumes any nut-based product before school, they wash their hands thoroughly and rinse their mouth before entering the school grounds. We understand that these measures may seem extreme; however, we want to ensure the health and safety of the whole school community, with the allergy so severe in some cases that even the slightest of contact with nuts could cause a severe and potentially life-threatening reaction.

Due to the severity of the allergy, if any pupil is found with a nut-based product the school will confiscate it immediately and contact will be made with parents/carers. Thank you for your support with this matter. If you do have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Kind Regards,

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