

## **DOWSON** PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Carers

We have two children joining our school who suffer from nut allergies. If these children come into contact with nuts or products with nuts in, they can suffer life-threatening consequences. We have taken advice on this matter and as a result the school has adopted a NO NUTS POLICY with immediate effect as the children will be at the Transition Day on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and then in school full time from September 2019.

Therefore we require parents NOT TO SEND IN NUT PRODUCTS for children's snacks or in their packed lunches.

Examples of the items that we do NOT want children to bring to school either as a snack or in their packed lunch include:

- packs of nuts
- peanut butter sandwiches
- fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts
- chocolate bars such as Snickers that contain nuts
- sesame seed products including rolls
- Nutella
- muesli bars
- cakes with nuts in them

In general, on food products there is a section that contains allergy advice. If this says that it 'does contain nuts' or 'may contain peanuts' then we DO NOT want you to send these products into school. Many product labels say that the product 'may contain nuts' and this tends to be manufacturers being cautious, so these products are allowed to be brought into school.

This change of policy has not been taken lightly. We would ask that all parents adhere to it for the safety of all children. If there are any issues that you feel arise as a result of this policy, please do come and see Mrs Ashley or Mrs Bradley to discuss them.

Kind Regards, Mrs K. L. Thornburn Principal

