



Venerable Bede Church of England Academy

Dayspring Trust



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Dear Parent/Carer,

Nut Aware School

At Venerable Bede CofE Academy we strive to provide a safe learning environment for all students. Due to some of our pupils suffering with life threatening nut allergies, we are a NUT AWARE SCHOOL.

An allergic reaction (anaphylactic shock) can occur through ingestion of nut products, cross contamination and breathing nut dust in the air.

Since this condition can be life threatening, we are asking all members of the school community for their help in minimising the risk to these children by:

- Avoiding giving children nuts or nut products in their packed lunches
- Avoiding giving nuts or nut products, snacks/bars containing nuts for break time

We do acknowledge that many foods are labelled as 'may have been produced in a factory handling nuts and cannot be guaranteed to be nut free'. Such items will be allowed as it would be unreasonable to expect these to be kept out of school.

Please note where a member of staff notices a pupil eating a nut product, the product will be removed politely and the member of staff will explain why this has to be done.

Due to the severity of the problem, it is important that all parents carry out the suggested measures to reduce the risk of an allergic reaction to our pupils.

Thank you for your support,

Yours sincerely,

Miss S Holt
Assistant Headteacher and SENDCo

