



Dorothy Hughes Kindergarten



Allergy Aware Policy

Anaphylaxis is a life threatening condition caused by an extreme allergic reaction. There are children attending Dorothy Hughes Kindergarten who suffer from Anaphylaxis, usually with an allergy to nut products. If they become exposed to nuts, they become seriously ill, or in extreme cases, die.

To protect our children at Dorothy Hughes Kindergarten who have nut allergies, the Kindergarten has a strict **"Nut Aware"** Policy. This policy also provides information on how parents/carers should work with the Kindergarten to ensure that sufferers of Anaphylaxis are safe at Kindergarten.

If nut products are sent to Kindergarten for snack or lunch:

- The food will be confiscated immediately.
- The child will be provided with an alternative food.
- The nut product will be returned to parents/carers at the end of the day. Attached to the food item will be a reminder slip outlining that we are an Allergy Aware Centre.

If a child suffers from Anaphylaxis, families must:

- Provide the Kindergarten with a current health care plan that is signed off by their Doctor/Health Practitioner. The health care plan must include details about health support, emergency details and a photo of the child.
- Ensure that the Kindergarten has appropriate medication for the child. The medication must be clearly named and labelled with a chemist label, be in date and be stored in the, medical cupboard that is located in the kitchen.
- Emergency contact details must be provided to the Kindergarten at the time of enrolment. If your child's contact details change you must inform the Kindergarten immediately.

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