Largs Bay Schools

NUT AWARENESS POLICY

Purpose:
• To provide a safe learning environment for all members of the Largs Bay Schools community by lessening the possibility of severe allergic reactions to nuts and nut products.
• To raise the awareness of all members of the community regarding severe allergies.

Management
Where a parent of a child with a allergy to nuts or nut products has alerted the school to this fact (backed by medical evidence / documentation), the school will manage the situation in the following way:

• Parents and caregivers being requested NOT to send food to school that contain peanuts or cashews. This includes peanut butter and “Nuts about Chocolate”.
• Staff supervising eating at lunch time in classrooms or another confined area.
• Students being encouraged NOT to share food.
• Staff participating in training from St John / Red Cross in understanding and dealing with Anaphylaxis (severe allergic reactions) as the need arises.
• The School canteen complying with the Nut Awareness Policy
• Students bringing food that contains nuts or nut products being asked to eat that food away from any other students

Promotion
The policy will be promoted by:
• Parents and caregivers being informed via the newsletter & other correspondence
• New families to the school community being informed via the Enrolment Information Package.
• Governing Council being kept informed about the implementation of the policy
• Staff being informed and provided with training opportunities
• Students being informed via teachers and newsletter

We acknowledge that due to food processing practices it is impractical to eliminate nuts or nut products entirely from an environment where there is food, thus we are “Nut Aware” Schools.