



Our ref: KR/TG/DCP/Parents

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Dear Parents/Carers

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This letter is to inform you that a student who will be starting at the Starkholmes site in September 2020 has a **severe peanut allergy**. Strict avoidance of peanut products is the only way to prevent a life-threatening allergic reaction. We are asking your assistance in providing the student with a safe learning environment.

If exposed to peanuts, the student may develop a life-threatening allergic reaction which requires emergency medical treatment. To reduce the risk of exposure for the student, the Starkholmes site will be peanut free. Please do not send any peanut or products containing peanuts or nuts for your child to eat at any time in any area of the school. Any exposure to peanuts through contact or ingestion can cause a severe reaction. If your child has eaten peanuts or peanut/nut products prior to coming to school, please be sure your child's hands have been thoroughly washed before coming to school. As a guide to 'peanut products', the main ones are:

- Bags of peanuts
- Snickers bars
- Cereal bars with peanuts in
- Reece's chocolate products
- Chocolate coated peanuts
- Peanut butter sandwiches
- Products which state they may contain peanuts or nuts (there is presently no law to confirm whether or not the nuts are peanuts)

This will be introduced to the Lumsdale site and will come into effect there at the appropriate time, and when there are any events based at Lumsdale which involve the student with the allergy.

We appreciate your support of these procedures. If you have any questions please contact the Year 7 Manager, Mrs Green. Please keep this letter safely to refer to.

Yours sincerely

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Mr K Rodgers
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