

## STUDENT ALLERGIES



There are an increasing number of students in our community who suffer allergic reactions to a range of products. Some reactions, although distressing, are able to be managed relatively easily. Unfortunately some students suffer life threatening allergic reactions. The most common and serious of these is to nuts and nut products. At Jells Park we train all staff in the use of epipens and have clear processes in place to implement the medication if required, but the consequences of not getting it right or of being too late are fatal.

School Council discussed this issue at length and have decided to request that no child bring nuts or nut products to school. Council is aware that this will cause problems for some families but feels strongly that we would never want a child to die as a result of inadvertent contact with a nut product. If anyone has a concern about this please contact me.

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