



Marsh Green Pre-school

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Nut Policy

Marsh Green Pre-school is a nut-free pre-school.

This means no food products containing nuts are brought into the building. We hope this will reduce the risk of any child or adult with a nut allergy coming into contact with a food product which could potentially be very harmful to them.

We realise that many foods are labelled as having 'traces of nut' or 'cannot guarantee nut free' which are very difficult to avoid. We will speak to parents of any children who join the setting who have a nut allergy to establish the severity of the allergy and put in place a risk assessment.

In order to reduce the risk of an allergic reaction for children in our care:

The pre-school will:

- Make sure cooking ingredients do not include nuts.
- Inform all new parents of this policy.
- Place a copy of the policy in the policy folder which is kept in the main room.
- Remind families periodically in all newsletters.
- Staff will not bring food containing nuts into the pre-school.

We ask parents:

- When preparing packed lunches to not include any food containing nuts (e.g. cereal bars, peanut butter), if they do, these are not offered to the child, but left in their lunch boxes and parents are reminded of our policy.
- If bringing a cake/biscuits/cookies into the pre-school to celebrate your child's birthday please ensure the list of ingredients do not include nuts – a senior member of staff will check the ingredients before it is offered to any child.
- If giving a present to members of staff, please do not include nuts.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of

Marsh Green Pre-school CIO

Held on (date)

Signed :

(Manager)

Signed:

(Chairperson)