



Old Oak Primary School Newsletter 15th November 2019

NUT ALLERGIES IN SCHOOL

*We have a duty to ensure the safety and well-being of the children and all members of the school community. Although we recognise that this cannot be guaranteed, Old Oak aims to be a Nut-Free school. The school aims to protect children, and staff, who have allergies to nuts yet also help them, as they grow up, to take responsibility as to what foods they can eat and to be aware of where they may be put at risk. **We do not allow nuts or nut products in school lunch boxes.***

Our “Nut-Free Policy” means that the following items should not be brought into school:

- *Packs of nuts*
- *Sandwiches with Nutella or chocolate spread*
- *Peanut butter sandwiches*
- *Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts*
- *Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts*
- ***Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)***
- *Cakes made with nuts*

We have a policy to not use nuts in any of our food prepared on site at our school. Our suppliers provide us with nut-free products. However, we cannot guarantee freedom from nut traces. We cannot give out any sweets brought in from home to be given out as birthday treats.

Caution must be taken at certain times of year such as birthdays, Easter and Christmas. We must take care to ensure that no nuts are included in the product. Particular products that are a cause for concern are: - Celebrations – Roses – Heroes – Quality Street.

All product packaging must be checked for warnings directed at nut allergy sufferers and if the following or similar are displayed, the product must not be used in school.

Packaging must be checked for:

- o Not suitable for nut allergy sufferers;*
- o This product contains nuts;*

- o This product may contain traces nuts;*
- o Indicating this is unsuitable for school consumption.*

Parents and carers must notify staff of any known or suspected allergy to nuts and provide all medical and necessary information. This will be added to the child's care plan and if necessary a meeting organised with the school nurse. Homemade snacks or party food contributions must have a label detailing all ingredients present and the kitchen environment where the food was prepared must be nut free. If you are unsure about a selection please speak to a staff member before bringing the food item into school. Please only send your child into school with fruit for the morning break.

Thank you.

Have a great weekend.

Mr. Brown

A WEEK ON THE FARM

The children have returned today from the farm, very tired, and probably quite wet. I think the weather has been a challenge this year. This is life on a working farm and the experience will stay with the group for a long time! The children will have learnt a lot about themselves, much of this will serve them well in later life. Thanks to all the staff who gave up their time to make this school journey happen!

THE DAILY MILE at OLD OAK- FINAL REMINDER

Where: Football pitches, Wormwood Scrubs

When: Daily, 8:30-8:45am.

Start date: Monday 18th November

The children can then come to school; get changed into their uniform ready to start the day at 8:55am, with a fresh and awake mind. I will be there to coordinate, and some other staff have expressed their interest to join too.

FLU VACCINE - WEDNESDAY 20th NOVEMBER

If you would like your child to have the flu vaccine in school for the winter, please complete and return the form by next Wednesday morning. PLEASE SIGN THE BOX GIVING CONSENT. If you have lost your form you can collect another one from the

front reception.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 20th November – Willows class assembly

Wednesday 27th November – Magnolia class assembly

Thursday 28th November – Old Oak's Winter Quiz Night from 3.30- 5.00pm