



# No Nut POLICY

Last Reviewed	October 2023
To be reviewed:	At least every three years
Next review:	October 2026

Chapel End Junior Academy aims to practise a nut free policy although we recognise that this cannot be guaranteed. Chapel End Junior Academy aims to protect children who have allergies to nuts but also to help them, as they grow up, to take responsibility for decision making around what foods they can eat and to be aware of where they may be put at risk.

Our no nut policy includes;

- all school meals
- snacks and lunches brought in from home
- staff lunches and snacks
- curriculum-based cooking experiences
- cake sales
- food sales
- school events that take place on or off the premises.

All pupils will be taught to check their snack and lunchboxes for food that contains nuts.

Parents and carers are asked not to send in food that contains nuts.

Staff will be asked not to bring in food that contains nuts.

Our school meals adhere to the Local Authority contract that no nuts or product containing nuts enter their kitchen. Our kitchen is a Nut Free Kitchen.

Middy Supervisors have the responsibility to check food that pupils eat in the dining hall. Teaching and non-teaching staff must report any incidents of pupils bringing in foods which contain nuts to a member of the office staff. The office staff will telephone the parents/carers and remind them of our 'Nut Free School' policy.

Parents and carers of pupils with allergies are invited to send in a few non-perishable treats so we can make sure that pupils are not left out in anyway when food sampling or sharing opportunities present themselves. The school will also be putting a box of 'safe treats' together.

At Chapel End Junior Academy we are committed to:

- ensuring that a notice is put in the internal foyer so that all visitors signing in are reminded that we are a nut free school.
- ensuring that a notice is put in classroom windows so that parents/carers dropping off and collecting pupils are reminded that we are a nut free school.
- ensuring that an clear No Nut icon is added to our school website.
- giving clear messages to new parents and prospective parents that we are a nut free school.

- giving clear messages to all stakeholders, students, work experience placements and visitors that we are a no nut school.
- giving clear messages to pupils that we are a no nut school and encourage them to continue to check their own snack and lunchbox contents.
- checking all ingredients and food that is sent into the school for events and meals.
- ensuring that children with allergies feel welcome to ask for a safe treat.
- ensuring that parents of children with allergies provide the school with appropriate medication.
- ensuring that the school nurse works with the school drawing up care plans for pupils who have nut allergies.
- being responsible for training staff in the use of Epipens, according to the medical instructions on an annual basis.
- ensuring that educational visits are assessed for risk of exposure to nuts as appropriate.

In out of school events, at the point of letting, the School Business Manager will ensure that a clear message is given regarding CEJA being a No Nut School.

It is the responsibility of ALL staff to ensure the Nut Policy is carried through.

