



Anaphylaxis Alert

Monday 5 February 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This year there are a number of students in Kindergarten who have extreme allergies to nuts, dairy products and eggs. This also includes any foods that contain nut products, dairy products and egg products.

The allergies of these students are so severe that it could be life threatening and a reaction may occur if any items containing nuts or dairy come in contact with these students. All staff at Corpus Christi have been notified of this situation and last week were instructed in emergency procedures, so that they are prepared if a student has an anaphylactic reaction.

We have educated the students about the importance of not sharing their lunch, snacks or treats with anyone, washing their heads and mouth after eating and speaking to an adult if their friend with allergies becomes sick.

We need to minimize the risk for these students. As the only way to manage a food allergy is avoidance, the school has implemented some strategies to help prevent a severe allergic reaction. We ask for your cooperation when packing your child's lunch box and consider the children with allergies. We ask that you refrain from sending food products that contain nuts and egg to school such as:

- Peanut Butter sandwiches
- Nutella sandwiches
- Egg sandwiches and snacks

We also ask that you speak to your child at home about the severity of these allergies and that they are NOT TO SHARE FOOD at school.

If you have any questions about anaphylaxis do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. To learn more about anaphylaxis and food allergies, go to www.allergyfacts.org.au or www.allergy.org.au.

Thank you for your assistance and continued support in making our school a safe environment for all students.

Kind regards,

Miss Archer, Miss Rydzewski, Miss Fraser & Mrs Tonnet
ES1 Team