

Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> August 2020

## **We are a Food Allergy Aware School**

Dear parents and carers,

We need to raise awareness that a child in our school has been hospitalised recently, was incredibly poorly and has been diagnosed with a severe nut allergy. Allergies, to nuts and other allergens, can result in anaphylaxis, and we are trying to reduce the risk of such a reaction.

As you will appreciate, the safety of the pupils at Stathern is very much at the forefront of our minds and as such we ask for your compassion, understanding, help and support.

**We kindly request that the children do not bring in any nut products into school or in their packed lunches. This includes some cereal bars, chocolates and cakes that may have traces of nuts in.**

We appreciate that some products contain whole nuts, and we are trying to reduce the risk of these types of nuts being on the site. We would also ask that you reduce, where possible, the amount of products that **may contain nuts**. We do appreciate that your child might enjoy eating products that may have been made in a factory where nuts are used. This is acceptable. Our own menus are nut free and produced in a nut free environment. We are aware that other children in school suffer from anaphylaxis, so we feel, at this time, it would be helpful to all of the families involved, if we could try where possible to follow this guidance.

Please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss this further, or if I can give you any additional information as we support these children in our school,

Kind regards,



Mrs Karen Lambert

