



# Kinross Primary School

## Allergies Causing Anaphylaxis Policy



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All children suffering from allergies that lead to ANAPHYLAXIS will require the following guidelines, procedures and actions to be put in place to ensure their safety.

### Guidelines and Procedures

- Photos of the child with Medical Emergency Action Plans to be placed in; medical room, all duty folders, student's classroom (made available to relief teachers, all specialist teachers folders.)
- Risk Management Plan to be completed and signed by Principal/Deputy Principal, Parent, Classroom Teacher, School Psychologist, and Education Assistant (if there is one) Plan is to be kept in medical room and classroom.
- Any medication provided be kept in medical room with instructions
- All staff to be trained in use of epipen and given information on the condition annually (see directions below)
- New staff in-serviced on condition and action plan
- Medication to be taken on excursions

### Food Anaphylaxis

Whilst Kinross Primary School has not officially endorsed itself as a *Peanut Free School*, measures have been put in place to ensure the safety of children suffering from FOOD ANAPHYLAXIS particularly nut allergies

- Canteen to be free of peanut products (parents to be advised that some items come with a warning that traces of peanuts can be found in this product.)
- The article below to be placed in newsletter each term

### Actions

- Children are to alert the duty or classroom teacher in the event of a reaction
- Runner sent to office or child brought to office (depending on the severity of reaction)
- Administer medication (if supplied)
- Phone call to Parent or Ambulance (depending on the severity of reaction)

### Item for Newsletter

#### ANAPHYLAXIS

Several children attending Kinross Primary School have a condition known as FOOD ANAPHYLAXIS, which is a sudden, severe and potentially fatal allergic reaction to nuts, especially peanuts. This condition is genetic and is not a disease - your child cannot catch it. We ask that parents be aware of this and encourage children to wash hands and face after eating peanut products and be advised not to share their food with other children at school. The canteen has been made peanut free (some products may still contain traces of nuts eg. Ice- creams, nuggets etc and contain a warning on the label)

Thankyou for your cooperation.

Directions below to be displayed on medical room cupboard

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR EPIPEN USE**

1. Find child's bag with own epipen
2. Read for any specific instructions
3. Pull off grey cap
4. Hold the black tip firmly on outer thigh **unless otherwise directed**
5. Press down and hold in place. Hold in place and count to 10 after you hear pen click
6. remove unit and massage area for 10 seconds
7. Replace epipen in child's bag and give to front office to be returned to parent for replacement