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Dear Parents/carers

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Re: Pupil allergy September 2019

In September we have a little girl starting in Robin Class (Reception) who has an egg allergy. Unfortunately, her allergy is so severe that should she come into contact with any egg traces, either through food products or through contact with a child or adult who has recently eaten or touched egg, this will trigger a significant reaction, including anaphylaxis, which can be life threatening.

After consultation with her parents and our health and safety advisors, we have taken the decision to adopt a 'no egg' policy.

What does a 'no egg' policy mean?

- We ask that children do not bring any egg products eg hard-boiled egg, guiche. mayonnaise or salad cream (made with egg), meringue etc into school for packed lunches. Cakes (containing cooked egg) are fine as is cooked dried egg pasta (no fresh egg pasta please).
- Please check any product before including it in your child's lunchbox.
- School meals will be adapted accordingly. There will no longer be egg sandwiches as an option, however tuna mayonnaise sandwiches or jacket potato filling will remain as alternative mayonnaise will be used. A list of commercial egg free mayonnaise products that may be helpful to you is on the back of this letter.
- Robin Class children will learn that as part of their morning arrival routine, they will need to wash their hands in case of any egg traces from breakfast at home.

Whilst it has to be accepted that we cannot completely eliminate the risks for this particular little girl (or for our children with nut allergies), we obviously want and need to do as much as we

I hope that you will feel able to support our plan and approach. We will send you a further reminder at the start of term so that everybody has received this important information. If you have any queries or are unsure about whether a food product is a concern for this child's wellbeing, please do pop in and ask.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Sue Ham **Deputy Head & SENCO**

Egg Free Salad Cream





Egg Free Mayonnaise





