

Nut Policy

We aim to make Springboard Nursery a **Nut free setting**. **THIS MEANS NO FOOD PRODUCTS CONTAINING NUTS ARE TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE BUILDING.**

We hope this will reduce the risk of any child, who may have or develop an allergy to nuts coming into contact with a food product which could potentially be very harmful to them.

We realise that many foods are labelled as having 'traces of nut' or 'cannot guarantee nut free' which are very difficult to avoid. We will speak to parents of any children who join the setting who have a nut allergy to establish the severity of the allergy and put in place a risk assessment, to reduce the risk of an allergic reaction for the child in our care.

The Nursery will:

- Make sure cooking ingredients do not include nuts
- Inform all new parents of this policy
- Remind families using email / Family / Tapestry
- Staff will **not** bring food containing nuts into the nursery

We ask parent/ carers:

- If bringing a cake/biscuits/cookie into the nursery to celebrate your child's birthday, it is to be shop bought with the list of ingredients clearly marked.
- If giving a present to members of staff, please do not include nuts

Springboard nursery will communicate with parents/carers if they have concerns about their child's allergies. Together we will work in partnership to meet the individual needs of your child. The nursery manager will complete a risk assessment to share with the family and child to eliminate any potential risks.

This policy was implemented by Springboard Management Team: please note all policies and procedures will be reviewed on a yearly basis, unless there is a need to implement changes prior. Please note any updates and changes will be forwarded by email.

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