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Dear Families,

Re: New Allergy Safety Requirements – Benedict's Law

We are writing to inform you about important new allergy safety requirements that will apply to schools in England from 1 September 2026. Benedict's Law introduces a statutory duty for schools to strengthen allergy awareness and ensure that appropriate measures are in place to protect pupils with allergies and reduce the risk of serious allergic reactions.

As part of these requirements, schools will be expected to:

- * Publish a whole-school allergy policy on the school website.
- * Ensure that appropriate, in-date adrenaline auto-injectors are available for use in an emergency.
- * Provide all-staff training on allergy awareness and the appropriate response to anaphylaxis.
- * Maintain individual healthcare and action plans for pupils with allergies.
- * Record allergy-related incidents and near misses to help improve safety procedures.

We recognise the importance of working closely with parents and carers to ensure that children with allergies are supported safely and confidently in school. We therefore ask parents and carers to ensure that the school is kept fully informed of any diagnosed allergies, prescribed medication, and changes to their child's medical needs.

Our full allergy policy is available on the school website and provides further information about our procedures and responsibilities. If you have previously made us aware that your child has an allergy Mrs Clarke will have been in contact with you to discuss this and dependent on the outcome of the discussion will invite you in to complete an Individual Health Plan with her.

If your child has a diagnosed allergy including asthma and you have not previously informed us please ensure that you contact the school office. You will then receive a call from Mrs Clarke to discuss this further and if appropriate you will be invited in to complete an Individual Health Plan.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain a safe, inclusive environment for every pupil.

Yours sincerely

T Cooper

Miss Cooper
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