



St Margaret Mary's RC Primary School

2019-2020

Our Mission:

We try to follow Jesus in everything we do.

We help everybody in our school family and we try to let our light shine as the light of Jesus shines.

Everyone at St. Margaret Mary's is special. We feel happy and safe. We are encouraged to value ourselves and each other in an atmosphere of trust, good humour, acceptance and enjoyment.

Saint Margaret Mary's school is where we come to learn through exciting and fun lessons. We try to always be welcoming and caring to all. We want to do our best, even if we find it difficult.

St Margaret Mary's Food Allergy Policy Statement

As a school, the safety for all our community is of vital importance. We are aware of the risks to those individuals who suffer from food allergies and intolerances, particularly those who may suffer a life-threatening reaction.

The aim of this policy seeks to raise awareness and to clarify practices, by setting out guidelines to govern best practice when working with those who have an identified allergy or intolerance.

Identified Risks:

- Food prepared on the premises
- Food provided by outside suppliers
- Contact with staff who prepare food
- Misinterpretation or non-recognition of a life-threatening allergy or an intolerance that may produce milder, but similar, symptoms

All ingredients used within the kitchen are checked for the 14 main allergies and are listed on the daily meal planner.

We keep photographic records of all pupils with allergies and intolerances and have separate workspaces and catering equipment to prevent and cross transfer of ingredients. All areas and equipment are sanitised before use.

Catering staff receive regular training on allergies and intolerances. The school is aware of the food we prepare (taking the highest care when preparing food) and serve. However, we are unable to guarantee that all meals and foods served are completely free from allergens.

All ingredients and foodstuffs are regularly monitored. For example, if an ingredient or foodstuff states "may contain nuts" or an ingredient or foodstuff is provided from a factory that also uses nuts in other ingredients or foodstuff, then the person with an allergy or intolerance would not be allowed to consume the item in question.

Prior to the start of the new academic year, all current pupils with known allergies are asked to update their allergy notifications.

The school follow the 14 Allergens list provided by The Food Standards Agency.