ST BOTOLPH'S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

25th September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

You may have seen recent news reports and recalls related to mustard ingredients being contaminated with peanuts.

Because of the severity of some allergic reactions to peanuts, the Food Standards Agency is taking a precautionary approach and is advising people who have a peanut allergy to avoid consuming foods that contain or may contain mustard, mustard powder or mustard flour because they may have been contaminated with peanuts.

Parents and carers of children who have a peanut allergy should take care to check the labels of food they buy and, if eating out, or getting a takeaway, ask the restaurant or cafe about foods that might contain mustard.

Further details can be found here: <u>Urgent Allergy Advice</u>: <u>Mustard Ingredients</u> Contaminated with Peanuts | Food Standards Agency

As soon as the FSA have more information, they will update consumers. They urge people with an allergy to sign up to their allergy alerts to be notified about future allergy recalls: https://www.food.gov.uk/news-alerts/subscribe

Please be assured that our school caterers, TCS Independent, are taking this matter very seriously and have removed all products containing mustard ingredients. Slight changes to our current menu may have to be made at this time, to keep children safe. We will advise you of any changes as soon as possible.

Kind regards

Mrs A Martin Acting Head Teacher