



Dear Parents and Carers,



## Orange Wig Day' Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Over the years, at Warmington School, we have had children for whom allergies affect their everyday lives and who have an Epipen in school for use if they suffer an anaphylactic reaction should they be exposed to an allergen.

Anaphylaxis is a severe and potentially life-threatening allergic reaction. The common causes of anaphylaxis include foods such as peanuts, tree nuts, milk, eggs, shellfish, fish, sesame seeds and kiwi fruit, although many other foods have been known to trigger anaphylaxis. Non-food causes include wasp or bee stings, natural latex (rubber), and certain drugs such as penicillin. Warmington School has now been a nut free school for over 10 years

To raise awareness of the Anaphylaxis Campaign, (a charity that supports sufferers of allergies), Badgers Class will be holding an '**Orange Wig Day' on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018.**

Members of Badgers Class will endeavour to wear orange wigs all day and we would like to encourage other members of our school (including staff members!) to wear something orange that day (it could be socks, a t-shirt, hair bobbles etc.)

**What is Orange Wig Day?** The idea is simple and flexible: The Anaphylaxis Campaign asks supporters to wear orange wigs during their daily activities – as work, at the gym, to school, out to lunch, etc.

**Why?** The goal of the day is to raise awareness, raise money and show others with severe allergies that they are not alone

School Council members will also be **selling homemade cakes and cookies that day at break time**, to raise money for the campaign. If the weather is sunny, we may also sell ice-lollies after school. If you or your child is an enthusiastic baker and you would also like to contribute to the cake and cookie sale, please see Miss Ibotson. All baked goods on sale will be nut and berry free. Members of Badgers Class will deliver an assembly that week to also raise awareness of the campaign.

If you would like to read more about the Anaphylaxis Campaign or would like to make a donation please visit <https://www.anaphylaxis.org.uk/>

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Catherine Ibotson and Badgers Class