



## POLICY ON MEDICAL DIETS IN SCHOOLS

If your child has a special dietary requirement that may be due to a food allergy, intolerance or metabolic imbalance, Manchester Fayre, our school meal provider, can cater for such special diets. With appropriate notice, their Nutritionist will work with the school catering team to ensure that a suitable menu choice is available each day.

The policy that Manchester Fayre operates asks for supporting written confirmation of the dietary request; this may be from a GP, Allergy Nurse, Paediatrician or Dietitian. This ensures that Manchester Fayre has the full and accurate information about the dietary request, and therefore avoiding the unnecessary exclusion of foods from a child's diet. Manchester Fayre feel it is imperative that the policy is enforced since the foods that a child eats can have implications on their health both now and in later life.

If your child has a special dietary requirement, in the first instance please notify the school, and ensure your request is supported with written confirmation from the relevant medical professional. Without the supporting written confirmation, Manchester Fayre cannot guarantee that your child's dietary requirements can be catered for.

For further information please contact:

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