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**Dear Parents** 

## **Emergency Adrenaline Auto-Injector**

I am writing to you with reference to your child, who has an adrenaline auto-injector, to inform you that on the 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017, the Department of Health introduced new legislation with regards to the use of adrenaline auto-injectors in schools. The legislation states that from this date, should a child have an anaphylactic attack and their own personal auto-injector is not available or a second dose of adrenaline is required, via guidance from a paramedic/emergency operator, then that child will be given medication using a school emergency paediatric auto-injector.

There will be emergency injector kits in both Prep and Pre Prep which will be kept by first aid officers. These will be used only for children who have a diagnosis of anaphylaxis AND with a valid, signed consent form (see attached). They will not be available for general use so children will need to continue to have access to their own personal injectors whilst at school.

We would be grateful if you could therefore complete both of the attached forms and return them to the Prep or Pre Prep Offices. Should you have any questions regarding this new procedure, then please speak to either Miss Goddard or Dr Carroll, the School Doctor.

Yours sincerely

Nick Bevington