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Dear Parents/Guardians,

From the commencement of Term 1 2018, we are asking students who have an allergy and require an EpiPen to carry their device with them at all times. The previous requirement was for the EpiPen to be held at Student Reception and taken to the student if it was required. Typically in secondary schools, students will transition frequently between rooms. The constant changing of rooms means that it is not feasible for the pen to be located in Student Reception. Prior to making this decision we sought advice from Catholic Education Western Australia for clarification on this matter. They believe that it is advisable to expect secondary students to carry an EpiPen with them if it is required.

A spare pen will still be available at Student Reception as a precaution.

We are asking for you to communicate this change in protocol with your child. If you have any concerns relating to this change please do not hesitate to contact your child's House Coordinator or myself at the College.

Below is a website where you can purchase an EpiPen bag/pouch:
<http://www.theallergyshop.com.au/medication-bag/>

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'B Hall'.

**Mr Bradley Hall
PRINCIPAL**