

Thursday 17th November 2016

Dear parents and carers,

Head lice

It has been brought to our attention that there has been an outbreak of head lice in various classes across the school. We should be very grateful if you would check your child's hair tonight and take any appropriate action.

Head lice are frustrating for everyone and we fully appreciate how vigilant people are in trying to deal with them, but a few reminders might be helpful:

- Girls should always tie their hair back if they can. This helps greatly in reducing transference between children. If it can be plaited, then that helps as well.
- Various expensive lotions are available, but in our experience, by far the best treatment is regular wet combing with a long toothed comb and plenty of conditioner. 'Nitty Gritty' produce a very effective comb for longer hair.
- It is most effective if you make nit combing part of your regular routine, even if you feel confident that your own child does not have nits. This nips any transfers of nits 'in the bud'.

We have a supply of nit combs available for sale in the school office for £1.00 each.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you need any further advice, I am very happy to discuss it further.

Yours sincerely

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