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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Head Lice

Recently, cases of head lice have been identified across the school and we wanted to make sure you were kept informed.

Whilst lice are nothing more than a nuisance, it is important that children are checked on a weekly basis so that any head lice can be dealt with quickly and before they are allowed to spread.

As there has been an outbreak, we suggest that you check your child's head as soon as possible. Here is some simple advice you may wish to follow to keep head lice outbreaks to a minimum.

- Check your child's hair once a week.
- Use a proper detection comb – with teeth no more than 0.3mm apart to trap head lice. The comb is usually white in colour so that lice can be easily identified.
- If you find live lice, consult a pharmacist to check the wholefamily.

Further advice on the treatment of head lice can be found on NHSwebsite.

**<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice/pages/treatment.aspx>**

Thank you for your co-operation

Mr. Hutchinson  
Principal