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Head Lice

Dear Parent and carers,

We have been informed of a number of cases of head lice (nits) across the school.

Head lice are very common among school-aged children and are spread through head-to-head contact.

They are **not** a sign of poor hygiene.

Please could we ask all parents and carers to check your child's hair carefully and treat if necessary. It is important that everyone in the household is checked and treated at the same time to prevent re-infestation.

For guidance on how to check and treat head lice, please refer to the official NHS advice here:

- NHS: Head lice and nits [nhs.uk]

Key points from the NHS guidance:

- The only way to confirm head lice is by finding a live louse.
- Wet combing with a fine-toothed comb is an effective method.
- Medicated lotions and sprays are available if wet combing is not suitable.
- There is **no need to keep your child off school** if they have head lice.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us manage this issue promptly.

Kind regards,

Dean Taylor

Headteacher