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Dear Parents

HEAD LICE ALERT

Recently we have had a re-occurrence of headlice in school. With this in mind could all parents please make a thorough check of your child's head – especially if your child is susceptible to them. Ensure that you continue to make regular checks of your child's/children's hair throughout the school year, especially at the moment when we know there is a current outbreak in school. We appreciate your vigilance and are happy to give any advice if needed.

If headlice are found the head should be treated with the appropriate lotion on sale at the chemist, or the conditioner treatment, hand-picking out the lice is not a reliable method as many lice or nits can be easily missed. Also, if lice are found, It is preferable that children do not attend school unless they have been treated.

As I am sure you will all agree, if there are ways of helping avoid head lice infestations occurring then common sense would dictate that we do all we possible can. I would remind parents that **all** long hair, shoulder length or longer, should be tied back off the face during school hours. A clip or hairband can also be used to restrain hair which cannot be held back with a hair elastic. As well as being one of the school rules, this practice does help in the battle against spreading hair lice.

Yours sincerely

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