



'A brighter tomorrow'

Wood End Primary School

Head Lice Information



Leaflet



We have been informed of some cases of head lice in your child's class.

Could you please note the following:

- ◇ Head lice live on clean heads and should not be associated with poor hygiene standards.
- ◇ Encourage brushing/combing hair several times each day.
- ◇ Examine your child's hair on a weekly basis. Nits are found firmly attached to the hair shaft, usually near the scalp. They do not move when touched or disturbed.
- ◇ Advice is available from the school nurse on Friday morning in school or telephone 01902 444511
- ◇ If you find live head lice in your child's hair it is necessary to treat the infection.
- ◇ Check all other family members.

Recommended methods of treatment:

Wet combing or lotion (Lyclear, Fullmarks or Hedrin) which are available from your local chemist or GP.

If you use any of the lotions, it is advisable to treat for a second time 7 days later. Follow the instructions provided on the box.

Wet combing

- ◆ Wash hair well with ordinary shampoo.
- ◆ Apply hair conditioner liberally to the wet hair.
- ◆ Comb hair to remove tangles
- ◆ Use a detection comb. Start with the teeth of the comb touching the top of the head and work comb down to the tip of the hair. Work section by section through the hair. Clockwise then anti-clockwise around the head.
- ◆ Clean the comb in between strokes.
- ◆ Repeat until no lice are found.
- ◆ Rinse the condition from the hair
- ◆ Repeat combing with the detection comb.
- ◆ Repeat process every 3 to 4 days. Continue with process for three sessions from last detection.



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