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Dear Parent/Carer

## HEAD LICE

There has been a couple of cases of head lice reported in your child's class today and we would appreciate it if you checked your child's hair.

Head lice are not just a problem for schools but it is a community problem. Head to head contact whether the hair is long or short, clean or dirty passes on the lice. Long hair is better tied up as there is then less potential for head to head (hair to hair) contact.

Please can you be vigilant and check your child's hair on a regular basis. There are creams and lotions readily available over the counter from any chemist and leaflets are available from the health centre on prevention of head lice. The advice is not to use solutions as a preventative measure, only use them if traces of head lice are found. The washing of all bedding, vacuuming of the sofa and checking all of the household's heads is recommended. They then suggest the use of a fine tooth comb and conditioner after washing your child's hair.

To control the spread of head lice we need your support with this matter.

Many thanks for your co-operation; early detection is the preventative solution.

Yours sincerely,

Diane Mulley  
Head Teacher