

Dear Parents, 19 November 2018

We are again receiving reports from parents that head lice, are being repeatedly caught in Class 2. This is a distressing time for parents and painful for pupils who are continually being re-infected as not everyone is following the bug busting guidance. Please read the following information and instructions. We all need to be vigilant - head lice are a community issue, they are not choosy about whose head they live in - Kelbrook pupil's, older brother's and sister's, mum's, dad's, granddad's, grandma's, auntie's, uncle's - everyone needs to follow the Bug Busting routine and have their hair checked at the same time for us to put a halt to the cycle.

Bug Busting (Head Lice and Nit removal instructions)

Using a chemical solution once is not a proven 100% way of eradicating head lice. The chemicals **DO NOT ALWAYS** kill the eggs. Baby lice may hatch over the next 10 days from unsuccessfully treated eggs. Therefore as a school we are recommending the Bug Busting Head Louse Detection System. Remember, whatever product used, you always have to check for lice on the following 5th, 9th, 12th and 13th days afterwards to BREAK THE CYCLE. A newly-hatched louse can mature enough to leave the head in 6 days; a female may lay new eggs 7 days after hatching herself.

- 1. Wash with your usual shampoo and rinse.
- 2. Apply lots of conditioner and do not rinse out.
- 3. Use a wide tooth comb to straighten and untangle the hair.
- 4. Leave the conditioner in the hair. When the wide tooth comb moves freely switch to the Bug Busting comb which school provided for each family.
- 5. With the bevel-edge towards the scalp, slot the teeth into a section of hair right at the roots, touching the scalp gently.
- 6. Keeping gentle contact with the scalp for as long as possible, draw the Bug Buster comb through to the tips of the hair.
- 7. Check the comb for lice between each stroke and clear them by wiping on kitchen paper or rinsing.
- 8. When the whole head has been well combed, rinse off the conditioner.
- 9. Bug Bust the whole family over a sink or sitting upright. Check yourself last over a sink.

Thank you again for your support in this matter. If you require any further information please go to http://www.chc.org/homedir/parent_info.cfm

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