

# Water Primary School

## Happiness, Health & Opportunity

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Dear Parents/Carers

We are writing to inform parents that there has been a case of head lice identified in school. While lice are nothing more than a nuisance, it is important that children and young people are checked on a weekly basis so that any head lice can be dealt with quickly and before they can be allowed to spread.

Although this has been an isolated case, we would ask you to check your child's head as soon as possible. Please follow the simple routine below to ensure that you are doing all you can to keep head lice outbreaks to a minimum.

### CHECK

- Check your child's hair once a week
- Use a proper detection comb to trap head lice
- If you find live lice, consult a pharmacist for treatment advice immediately
- If head lice are spotted, take a close look at all the family

### TREAT

- Please treat your child with a clinically proven treatment
- Leave the treatment on for the recommended time for maximum effect
- Repeat the treatment for a second time seven days after the original treatment to kill any eggs that may hatch after the first treatment
- Check that all head lice have gone within two to three days of the final application of head lice treatment to complete the process
- Continue to check for head lice on a regular, weekly basis.

For further information on head lice please see your pharmacist or visit [www.nhs.uk/conditions/headlice](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/headlice)

**As an additional precaution, we would also ask that children with long hair keep it tied back, as this can help reduce the chance of head lice spreading.**

Thank you, as always, for your support and cooperation. Working together helps us to keep head lice to a minimum and supports the wellbeing of all our children.

Yours faithfully  
Miss E McKay  
Headteacher

