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HEAD LICE

In order to prevent this infestation from spreading and to clear up cases as soon as possible, would you please inspect your child's head as often as possible, or at least once a week.

This can be done by brushing the hair while it is damp with a detection comb or a fine tooth comb over a piece of white paper. Any live lice in the hair should drop out and be easily visible on the paper. If you find live lice, please treat your child.

It is also very important to check the rest of the family and others who may have been in close contact with your child over the past four weeks. This is because we know that half of all head lice cases are caught outside of school.

Treatment is only necessary if live lice are seen. The preferred method of treatment now is the wet combing method, details of which may be obtained from doctors' surgeries, chemists and the school office.