

Dear Parents and Carers,

During Parent Consultations, it came to our attention that incidences of head lice are increasing. We've also noticed that many of the girls are more regularly wearing their hair down rather than it being tied back and staff are wondering if the two things are related.

Whilst we are sure many of you check your children's hair every few days as is recommended, but we wonder if we could have a '*nit war*' over the coming weeks to try and break the cycle.

There is a really informative website <http://www.onceaweektakeapeek.com/> where you can find resources and advice in how to treat and prevent your child catching head lice.

Could you try and check your child's hair more often and treat if necessary over the holidays and the coming weeks? Could we also try to ensure long hair is tied back? If it's helpful, we could keep some hair bands in class for your child to use as I know 'hair dressing' is sometimes last thing on the list during the busy morning rush to school!

Mrs Shirley is our 'in house head lice expert', so if you'd like any advice, let me know and we can arrange for you to see her.

With any luck, if we work together, we can rid the class of annoying head lice.

Yours sincerely,



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