



If you can dream it, you can achieve it!

Scooter and Bikes

Please can you ensure that children do not go on their scooters and bikes on the playground. We have had a near miss that could have been avoided. Thank you for your support.

Head lice

There have been a number of reports of Head lice in two classes this week. Please see the information overleaf.

After School Clubs

The following clubs have started this week;
 Baking Club Year 1 – Monday 3.15pm-4.15pm
 Tennis Years 3-6-Thursday 3.15pm-4.15pm
 Football Years 1-2 Friday 3.15pm-4.15pm

Contact Details

Can parents please make sure that school has **TWO** up to date contact telephone numbers for your child. As you may be aware there have been recent cases in the news where contact could not be made. Thank You.

Free School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals or if your circumstances have changed please let the school office know.

Playground Equipment

Please be aware that the playground equipment **should not** be played on before and after school as no supervision is provided (including the muga pitch and the new equipment) and school is not insured.

Lates

Please ensure that your children arrive when doors open at 08.50. School starts at 08.55. Thank you in advance for your co-operation. Persistent lateness is being monitored.

Nut Allergies

Can parents be aware that nut based products or nuts **are not** to be brought into school as we have children with nut allergies in both KS1 and KS2. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 7th May- May Day School Closed
 Monday 14-May-Thursday 17th May- Year 6 SAT
 Wednesday 16th May- Sacramental Programme
 Monday 21st May-2.45pm Nursery & Reception class RSE parent’s meeting
 Monday 21st May- Year 6 Road Safety

Tuesday 22nd May-3.00pm Year 1 & Year 2 RSE parent’s meeting
 Wednesday 23rd May-3.00pm Year 3 & Year 4 RSE parent’s meeting
 Thursday 24th May- Mission Statement Ambassadors Celebration
 Thursday 24th May- 3.00pm Year 5 & Year 6 RSE parent’s meeting
 Friday 25th May –Topic Afternoon 2.15pm
Half Term -Monday 28th May- Friday 1st June
 School re-opens Monday 4th June

LAST WEEK’S STARS

Each Friday in celebration assembly we award a child from each class who has made an outstanding contribution to their own work and those who have made significant accomplishments socially.

“Worker of the Week”

Year 6	John
Year 5	Millie
Year 4	Mason W
Year 3	Shay
Year 2	Kayla
Year 1	Frankie
Reception	Santi
Nursery	Flynn

“Behaviour Stars”

Year 6	All Year 6
Year 5	Keira
Year 4	Jason
Year 3	Cole
Year 2	Aaron
Year 1	Jayden
Reception	Oscar
Nursery	Rosie

Attendance

Class	Attendance	Thank you Everyone!!! Well Done to this week’s winners: Year 4! !
Year 6	99.0%	
Year 5	98.8%	
Year 4	100.0%	
Year 3	97.9%	
Year 2	97.1%	
Year 1	97.4%	
Reception	99.6%	

Dear parent/guardian

It has come to our attention that a pupil/pupils in our school has a case of head lice. While head lice is an annoying problem, it is not a danger to your child's health, so there is no need to panic. When a case has been confirmed, it becomes very important for you to check your family for lice immediately and treat as appropriate. Please know that anyone and everyone can get lice. Getting lice has nothing to do with whether you are clean or dirty, rich or poor, it only has to do with the fact that you are human. In an average school year, more children will "contract" lice than the common cold. If you find any live lice or eggs, it is absolutely necessary to treat each "infected" person, but more importantly, you must notify the school so that we can effectively and confidentially monitor the situation. These outbreaks end much more quickly when there is proper communication between parents and school.

Treating head lice

Head lice can be difficult to treat due to the time-consuming and precise nature of treatment and high re-infestation rate.

In the past, traditional insecticides were used to treat head lice infestations but head lice would often develop resistance to them.

Therefore, these types of treatments have virtually been replaced with silicone and oil-based preparations which have a physical rather than a chemical action on lice.

After a head lice infestation has been confirmed you can treat the lice at home by wet combing the hair with a head lice comb or by using a lotion or spray that's designed to kill head lice (see below).

However, neither will protect against re-infestation if head-to-head contact is made with someone with head lice during the treatment period.

Wet combing

The wet combing method involves removing the head lice by systematically combing the hair using a special fine-toothed comb.

The comb's teeth should be spaced 0.2-0.3mm apart. Lice can be crushed or trapped between the teeth of nit combs with a tooth spacing of less than 0.19mm and remain unseen.

You can buy a fine-toothed comb from your local pharmacy or you can order one online.

Lotions or sprays don't need to be used for wet combing. However, to be effective, wet combing needs to be carried out regularly and thoroughly. The method you should use is described below.

* Wash the hair using ordinary shampoo and apply plenty of conditioner, before using a wide-toothed comb to straighten and untangle the hair.

* Once the comb moves freely through the hair without dragging, switch to the louse detection comb. Make sure the teeth of the comb slot into the hair at the roots, with the bevel-edge of the teeth lightly touching the scalp.

* Draw the comb down to the ends of the hair with every stroke, and check the comb for lice.

* Remove lice by wiping or rinsing the comb.

* Work methodically through the hair, section by section, so that the whole head is combed through.

* Rinse out conditioner and repeat the combing procedure.

* Repeat the procedure on days three, six, nine, 12 and 15, so that you clear young lice as they hatch, before they have time to reach maturity.

How long it will take to comb your child's hair will depend on the type of hair they have and its length. For example, short, straight hair can be quickly prepared and can be fine-toothed combed in a few minutes. Longer, curlier hair will take longer to comb.

Lotion or sprays

Using a lotion or spray is an alternative method of treating head lice. However, to be effective they need to be used correctly. Your pharmacist will be able to recommend an over-the-counter lotion or spray and advise you about how to use it correctly.

A lotion or spray should only be used if a living (moving) head louse is found. Crème rinses and shampoos aren't thought to be effective and therefore aren't recommended.

Ensure you have enough lotion or spray to treat everyone in your family who's affected. Use enough to coat the scalp and the length of the hair during each application.

Follow the instructions that come with the lotion or spray when applying it. Depending on the product you're using, the length of time it will need to be left on the head may vary from 10 minutes to eight hours.

The normal advice is to treat the hair and repeat the treatment after seven days. Some products also supply a comb for removing dead lice and eggs.

Some products may be capable of killing eggs as well as lice, although there's no certainty of this. Check for baby lice hatching from eggs three to five days after using a product and again 10-12 days afterwards.

At least two applications of lotion are needed to kill lice over the hatching period because the lotions don't always kill louse eggs.

If the lice appear unaffected by the product, or if the problem persists, seek advice from your school nurse, health visitor, pharmacist or GP.

Head lice will die after a day or two if they're unable to feed on human blood.

Be aware that head lice can be flicked from dry hair during vigorous combing. If they land on someone they'll try to climb up to their head.