

## South Borough Primary School

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Dear Parents / Carers,

## **Head Lice**

Head lice are seldom spread in school but I am writing to remind everyone of the importance of head lice prevention and detection.

Regular detection combing on at least a weekly basis is the most effective way to find new lice quickly. If live lice are noticed you can treat at home by wet combing the hair using a head lice comb or by using a medicated lotion. The local chemist or family doctor can advise on treatment and which lotion to use.

If you find your child has head lice, you will need to examine the head of all other members of the household. If head lice are found, they should also be treated.

Please be aware that head lice or the treatment of head lice is not an accepted reason for absence from school and therefore any non-attendance for this reason will be classified as unauthorised.

If you would like further information of guidance on the detection or the treatment please visit this site.

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/

Thank you for your ongoing support and co-operation.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Currie

Head of School