

HEAD LICE INSPECTIONS – CONSENT FORM

Head lice are common amongst children, and remain the parent’s responsibility to manage. In support of parents, the school may head lice inspections of students throughout the year.

The management of head lice works best when all children are involved in our inspection program.

The school is aware that this can be a sensitive issue and is committed to maintaining student confidentiality and avoiding potential embarrassment.

Before any inspections are conducted staff will explain to all students what is being done and why, and it will be emphasised to students that the presence of head lice in their hair does not mean that their hair is less clean or well kept than anyone else’s. It will also be pointed out that head lice can be itchy and annoying and if you know you have got them, you can do something about it.

Trained staff from our school will conduct the inspection of students.

The person conducting the inspections will physically search through each student’s hair to see if any lice or eggs are present. Moslem girls will only be inspected in the presence of women.

In cases where head lice are found, the person inspecting the student will inform the student’s class teacher and the principal. The school will contact the parents/carers to collect their child.

Please note that health regulations require that where a child has head lice, that child is not return to school until appropriate treatment has commenced.

Parent’s/Guardian’s Full Name:

Address: Postcode:

Name(s) of Child/Children attending the school: Year Level:

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I hereby give my consent for the above-named children to participate in the school's head lice inspection program for the remainder of this year.

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date:

PLEASE NOTE: All students may be visually checked (no touching) for head lice by staff members irrespective of whether or not this consent form for a physical inspection is completed and retur