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Head Lice Policy

- Head Lice can affect people from any socio-economic background and ethnicity and do not imply a lack of hygiene or cleanliness of the infested person.
- In order to try and prevent other children becoming infected we have the following procedures. We hope that as parents you too will work with us to treat and prevent the spread of head lice.
- It is our aim that no child will be excluded from our care because they have head lice and we ask that all children, parents and carers are sensitive and understanding towards the child. It is not their fault they have head lice. Parents will be informed with respect and confidentiality.
- We do ask that children with head lice are treated before they return to the setting. In extreme cases where there is no evidence that the parent has attempted to treat the hair and the child is uncomfortable, and the infestation is great that we may need to ask the parent to collect their child to prevent further infestation to other children.
- We will provide information on the effective treatment and detection of Head Lice.
- Request that parents check their children's hair once a week to aid early detection.
- Request that parents inform us immediately if they have discovered that their child has head lice.
- We will inform all parents verbally and display a notice if a case of head lice is suspected or confirmed, but we do not disclose the child's identity to respect confidentiality.
- We will assist in the prevention of Head Lice by ensuring the children only use their own hairbrushes and combs and that the play dressing up hats are regularly cleaned.

This policy was amended at a meeting of the Welbourne Academy Nursery Management Group
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