



## Head lice Procedure

### Deferring head lice Procedure

#### **All preschool staff will:**

- Encourage staff and families to be familiar with the recommendations and information provided in “Staying Healthy” as and when an outbreak is discovered within the preschool.
- Place a notification at the entry to the preschool, advising of the detection of head lice within the preschool. Such signage will remain in place for no less than one week from the date of the last reported infestation
- Distribute a letter to families notifying them that head lice has been detected  
Contact families to collect their child where nits are visible.
- Actively work to reduce the spread of head lice by;
  - Following the strictest of hygiene procedures particularly in relation to laundering of linen and soft furnishings and hand washing
  - Exclude from the preschool, any person found to have live head lice in their hair until such time as an effective treatment has been undertaken
  - Provide current information on the treatment and control of head lice

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