



Headlice

Anyone can get head lice - children and adults alike. Head lice are very small insects which like to live on *clean* healthy hair. Head Lice are caught from close head to head contact with an infected person. Young children are particularly vulnerable because head to head contact is more common in this age group. Momentary, close contact is enough.

Prevention - look out for symptoms of head lice.

- Perform weekly checks to look for nits and head lice in your family's hair.
- Please keep long hair tied back.
- Avoid sharing combs and brushes with other people.
- Children should avoid wearing other people's hair accessories (hairbands, scrunchies), caps or hats.

Treatment

Please treat any infestation immediately with insecticide which can be obtained from any chemist by speaking to the pharmacist.

It would be appreciated by the school if you could let us know of any outbreak - all information will be treated in the strictest confidence.



Sickness and Diarrhoea

If your child has been sick or has had diarrhoea they must remain **at home for 48 hours from the last bout** in line with the Health Board guidelines. We do appreciate that children often want to return to school earlier, but it is essential that all parents and carers follow these guidelines to minimise the spread of infection.

If a child returns to school early, parents and carers will be asked to collect their child from school. We appreciate your understanding as this is a Health Board guideline which applies to both staff and pupils.



Anti-Bullying Week

Elderbank Primary and Early Years will be supporting the Anti-Bullying Week Campaign. Miss Auld (Principal Teacher) is leading the whole school participation.