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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have a problem with headlice, in your child's class. We would really like to have this problem eradicated. I would be very grateful if you would all check your child's hair tonight and, if necessary, treat all the family.

Unfortunately this problem seems to be doing a circuit around the class because the children work and play together very closely. One child may show adult headlice today and be treated but their friend may only have eggs which do not hatch until later. They can then be treated after they hatch but in the meantime they have passed the problem back to their friend.

Headlice love clean hair and therefore washing is not enough. I understand that most parents/carers are aware of the problem but we really need to check at the same time. Please check **TODAY**. Use a comb every day instead of a brush as this helps to comb the adult headlice out of the hair. Please check for eggs as well as adult headlice. They look a bit like dandruff but are stuck to the hair. If your child needs to be treated it is probable that they will need to be treated again in a week's time.

I would be grateful if all children with medium to long hair could have it tied back until the problem is eradicated.

If you need any further help the school nurse can be contacted on 677 3679 (Greasby Clinic).

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Morris
Headteacher