



METROPOLITAN ANDREI CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Guardians:

It is our policy to advise all parents of any pediculosis (head lice) here at school. A case has been discovered recently and the parents/guardians of the child affected have been requested to keep their child at home until the proper treatment has been applied.

As we pass on this information we wish to take the opportunity to enlist your help since it is impossible for us to carry out a thorough daily examination of all the children in the school.

We are asking you to check your children's hair very carefully each day for the next few days. Should you discover the presence of lice or nits, we would appreciate being informed. We could then advise concerning appropriate treatment. This information can also be obtained from a pharmacist or Peel Health.

If you find your child has been infested, or if we make that discovery here, please do not consider it as any reflection on you or your family. As we said earlier, the presence of head lice is not associated with neglect. Anyone can be infested by them.

Pediculosis is spread only by direct contact with a "case"; often through the sharing of combs and brushes, or the exchange of hats. Please help us instruct children regarding prevention.

Suggested treatment, when infestation occurs, involves the application of a specially prepared shampoo. This can be obtained from most pharmacies. All members of the household should be treated. All bedding and blankets should be washed and rinsed in the hot-water setting of washing machines. Hats and objects such as wigs should be treated as well.

Students who have been infested are not allowed to return to school until the treatment has been applied and their hair is free of all lice and nits (eggs).

Yours sincerely,

G. Hilton

Principal