



Head Lice Policy

These procedures have been developed in line with current DECD guidelines.

If a case of head lice is suspected:

- The teacher will notify the office
- The office will contact the parent / emergency contact person to arrange for the child to be checked and treated as soon as possible.
- Parents are not required to collect their children if they are infested with (suspected) live lice before the end of the school day.
- The child should not be isolated but be able to participate in the class activities. It is advised that these children are not involved in activities that include hair to hair / head to head contact.
- It is desirable to meet the parent / guardian when they pick the child up to offer advice and explain the requirement to treat the child before he / she returns to school.
- Parents of the other children in the class will be notified by the school that there is a suspected case(s) of head lice by giving each child in the class the school a head lice notification note.

Mass head lice checks are not carried out at Magill School.

Supporting documents:

- Magill School notification letter
- SA Health head lice prevention and treatment pamphlet