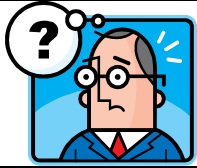




Grange Primary School



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Did you know that....

The chosen charity this year is Special Care Baby Unit (SCOO-B-DOO) at Gloucestershire Royal Hospital. So far we have raised approx. £400 from the infant nativity and junior carol singing events. Thanks to all who supported these events.

Change of Address or Emergency Telephone Numbers

Have you had a new mobile phone for Christmas?

Have you told us at school of your change of contact numbers or address?

Please let the school office staff know as soon as any of your details change. It is important we are able to contact you should your child have an accident or become ill.



Cheltenham Town Football Club

Places still available at after school football clubs. Please note the change of start date to Monday 16th January for year 1/2, Tuesday 17th January for years 3-6. The cost is £20 for 10 weeks. If you would like to join, please call into the school office

WEATHER WARNING

Should we need to close the school during the winter months we advise you to check the following:

Heart

BBC Radio Gloucestershire

www.glosclosedschools.com

102.4FM

104.7FM

If we are not reported as closed on these sites then we will be open.



Dinner Money

Thank you to all who pay on-line or Pay Point. Please continue to do so. We still need to reduce the amount of cash in school and would prefer payment to be either using paypoint card in the local shops or online using parent pay.

HEAD LICE

There have been a number of cases of head lice reported to me by parents. Please read the information overleaf.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL PARENTS CHECK CHILD'S/CHILDREN'S HAIR REGULARLY. IF YOU DO FIND HEAD LICE, THE WHOLE FAMILY WILL NEED TO BE CHECKED



ADVICE FROM GLOUCESTERSHIRE HEALTH AUTHORITY **HEAD LICE CONTROL POLICY**

LISTED BELOW ARE THE RECOMMENDED TREATMENTS FOR TREATING HEAD LICE

ABOUT HEAD LICE

Your child may have head lice at any time. Head lice will live in clean or dirty hair and spread easily between heads. We would like you to recognise head lice quickly and treat the condition successfully. By following the advice below you will also help to protect other families

HOW TO RECOGNISE HEAD LICE

The adult head louse is a small grey insect, about half the size of a match head. It needs warmth and so stays close to the scalp, feeding by sucking blood. Eggs (sometimes called “nits”) are cemented close to the roots of hairs. Any eggs found further than a few millimetres from the scalp are either hatched or dead. The first sign of head lice you may notice is that your child scratches his/her head more than usual.

Lice are most easily found by using a head lice detector comb on really wet hair. If no lice are found after careful combing of wet hair from the roots, there is no need for treatment. It is a good idea to do this every week, not just when you’ve been told someone has head lice.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU FIND LICE

You need to treat the person who has the infection. As the first line in treatment we recommend the wet combing method.

WET COMBING METHOD

With this method head lice should be cleared over a two week period. If followed correctly your child will not be at risk of passing head lice to other contacts.

- ◆ Wash your child’s hair as normal
- ◆ Whilst the hair is wet, comb the hair from the roots with a head lice detector comb. You may find it easier if you apply hair conditioner or baby oil to your child’s hair. The teeth of the comb need to slot into the hair at the roots with every stroke. If your child has very thick hair you will need to section the hair carefully.
- ◆ Between strokes clear the comb of lice.
- ◆ You need to repeat this routine every 3 – 4 days for 2 weeks, so that any newly hatched lice are removed.

If the wet combing method is not successful or you feel it is impracticable, the second line treatment uses an insecticide lotion.

INSECTICIDE LOTION

Lotions are available from your chemist. Ask the Chemist’s advice on using the lotions.