
Theodore Primary School Head Lice Policy and Procedures

*This policy and procedure should be read in conjunction with:
ACT Education Head Lice Policy 00054*

Aims:

To manage outbreaks of head lice at Theodore Primary School.

To ensure treatment is commenced with children before they are in close contact with others in the school community.

Definitions:

Head lice: small parasitic insects that live mainly on the scalp and neck of a human host

Parent (s): those with parental responsibility including guardians or other person having the care or custody of a child or children.

Implementation:

1. Discreetly restrict the child with suspected head lice from activities involving close head to head contact with other children (do not isolate them).
2. Call the front office and notify them of the suspected head lice.
3. The student is to go to the front office where the front office staff will arrange for collection from school by the parents for immediate treatment to take place.
4. The front office staff will notify the principal and class teacher, and the ["ACT Health Face Sheet: Head Lice"](#) will be sent to parents in the class notifying them of a possible infestation.
5. If the infected student remains untreated then the above steps are to be repeated.

This policy was ratified in August 2020 and is to be reviewed in 2022.

