



## **Head Lice**

Head Lice can affect people from any social-economic background and ethnicity and does not imply a lack of hygiene or cleanliness of the infested person.

In order to try and prevent other children becoming infected we have put together the following procedure. We hope that as Parents you too will work with us to prevent and treat the spread of head lice.

## **Procedures**

The Colour Box Montessori Nursery School follows these procedures to help to prevent and treat the spread of head lice;

- **No Child** will be excluded from our care because they have head lice and we ask that all children and parents are sensitive and understanding towards the child. It is not their fault they have head lice.
- Request that all children with long hair wear their hair up to prevent the spread of Head Lice
- Request that parents check their children's hair once a week with a special head lice comb to aid early detection.
- Request that parents inform a member of staff immediately if they have discovered that their child has head lice.
- I will inform all parents using our service if a child has head lice, but I will not say who to respect confidentiality.
- We will assist in the prevention of head lice by ensuring the children only use their own hairbrushes and combs and that our dressing up hats are regularly cleaned.

*All our Policies & Procedures are crafted to ensure the highest possible standards at our setting and will be reviewed every 3 years or sooner, if necessary, in light of specific events or relevant statutory changes.*