Dear Parent/Guardian,

Head lice or eggs are suspected to have been detected on your child and it is very important for you to treat your child as soon as possible, using safe treatment practices. Please see the attached information, Treating and Controlling Head Lice, from the Department of Human Services.

It is important for you to notify Seabrook Primary School and to advise when appropriate treatment has commenced.

It is important to note, that health regulations require that where a child has head lice, that child should not return to school until the day after appropriate treatment has started. Please note that this refers only to those children who have live head lice and does not refer to head lice eggs.

Please complete the below form and return this to Mrs Lee, on the return of your child to school.

Action Taken –
Student Head Lice
Parent/Guardian Response Form
To: Mrs. Lee
CONFIDENTIAL
Principal: Susan Lee

Student’s Full Name: _____________________________

I understand that my child should not attend school with untreated head lice.

I used the following recommended treatment for head lice or eggs for my child
____________________________________________________________________________
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Treatment commenced on (insert date) ______/_____/_____

Signature of parent/guardian: _____________________________ Date_________________

Year Level: _____
FINDING AND TREATING HEADLICE

Many lice do not cause an itch, so you have to look carefully to find them.

Head lice are found on the hair itself and move to the scalp to feed. They have six legs, which end in a claw and rarely fall from the head. Louse eggs (also called Nits) are laid within 1.5cm of the scalp and are firmly attached to the hair. They resemble dandruff, but can’t be brushed off.

Lice can crawl and hide. The easiest and most effective way to find them is to follow these steps:

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<td>Step 1</td>
<td>Comb any type of hair conditioner on to dry, brushed (detangled) hair. This stuns the lice and makes it difficult for them to grip the hair or crawl around.</td>
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<td>Step 2</td>
<td>Now comb sections of the hair with a fine tooth, head lice comb.</td>
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<td>Wipe the conditioner from the comb onto a paper towel or tissue.</td>
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<td>Look on the tissue and on the comb for lice and eggs.</td>
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<td>Repeat the combing for every part of the head at least 4 or 5 times.</td>
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