

Porter Creek Secondary

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Re: Head Lice in School

Head lice have been identified within the school. Please check your child's hair and scalp carefully.

- STEP 1: Find a comfortable well-lit spot
- STEP 2: Check the hair from the scalp to the end of the hair strand. First, look at the hair at the back of the neck, behind the ears and above the forehead. Then, check the rest of the head.
- STEP 3: Look for live lice and/or eggs. Nits (eggs) are glued to hair close to the scalp (6mm or . inch). Nits are white to light brown in colour and may be confused with dandruff. Nits are firmly attached to the hair and do not move unless you slide them down the hair strand.
- STEP 4: If you find a louse or nit, check all household members. Treat only those who have head lice or nits, following information outlined on the attached sheets.
- STEP 5: Let the school know if your child has head lice or nits.

Other tips for parents/guardians:

- Make weekly head checks part of your routine.
- Scratching and itching of the scalp may be a sign of head lice.
- If your child has long hair, keep it tied back.
- Advise your children to not share head gear or combs/brushes with other students

For more information contact Yukon Communicable Disease Control at 667-8323. #4 Hospital Road, Whitehorse, Yukon.

Yours truly,


Peter Giangrande, Vice Principal



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