

# Keeping your children

## "Safe and Well"

Dear Parents/carers

We have a few issues in and around school which are becoming a cause for concern.



### **Children NOT wearing coats at playtimes and Lunchtime.**

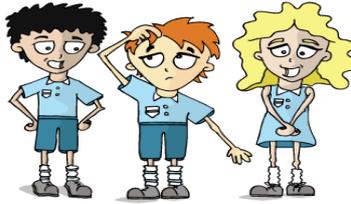
All children are made to put their coats on when they go out to play. It is still very cold at the moment and the children need to be wearing a coat it would be helpful if you could encourage this at home. In school we make a point of encouraging children to wear coats in cold or wet weather as we want to protect them from colds or chest infections.



### **Water bottles in school.**

Lots of our children have a "throw away" plastic water bottle in school however, unless you wash bottles thoroughly, harmful bacteria from tap water and saliva will reproduce inside the bottle. And if you keep using an unwashed bottle, children can be exposed to health risks like diarrhoea and infection in the mouth.

**If possible please send your child with a bottle which can be taken home regularly to be washed as from next week; any "throw away" bottles left in school on a Friday will be disposed of.**



## Headlice!

Unfortunately, we have had a few cases of head lice in school recently.

It would be very helpful if **ALL** parents could check their children and treat them if need be.

If you need further advice please contact the school nurse on 272277 who can come out and give you a prescription for solution or contact your GP or local **pharmacist all prescriptions for children are free of charge.**

In the meantime, it would be very helpful if children with long hair had it tied up at all times. If we notice children with their hair down in school we will encourage them to tie it up immediately to prevent any more cases of head lice.



**THINK ABOUT WHERE YOU ARE PARKING**



I am concerned about the number of complaints I have received today from parents about irresponsible parking.

I appreciate that it is difficult to park near to school however; the safety of **ALL** the children is paramount.

The yellow lines outside school are there to ensure no one parks close to the exits and entrances and I do hope you will respect their importance.

Another area of concern is the cars parking on the grass verges opposite school on Cover Drive, near to the cricket club. Cars are also parking on the kerb of this corner which is making it difficult for families to get past safely.

The last thing anyone wants is for one of your children to get hit by a car!

I have requested a Police presence outside of school however, this is your responsibility, and it is your decision where you park so I am asking you all to think before you park irresponsibly.

It is your child's safety at risk!

Thank you for your support.

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