FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Many of you may have read in the paper over the weekend an article about Head Lice in schools. It said that thousands of kids were affected and that studies interstate have shown that around 1 in 4 primary school aged children are carrying lice. Apparently, interstate authorities say that infestations are on the rise because of:

- Growing resistance to chemical treatments
- Incorrect use of treatments
- Changing social and school practices

DECD policy, which is adhered to here at Murray Bridge South, is that Senior staff will check a child’s hair for lice/nits if the child complains about their head itching, other children say something or the teacher notices them. If the child suspected of having nits does not have parent/caregiver permission for staff to check their hair, then the parent/caregiver is rung to come in as soon as possible to check their child’s hair.

If detected the child must go home and not return until the hair is treated and dead nits/lice are removed. We understand the frustration that this causes, especially when parents do the right thing and their child becomes re-infected because a classmate’s parents have not been as diligent in their treatment procedures.

Before returning to class, children who have had their head treated must report to the front office.

The front office has head lice shampoo available for $10.40 a bottle or FREE if you are on School Card.

Alternatively talk to your local doctor or chemist about other forms of treatment. Included in this newsletter is a copy of our school Head Lice Policy.

GRAHAM ALDER
Principal

DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY
Mon 23rd to Fri 27th FYI Drug + Health Education

MARCH
Wed 4th Students with disabilities heated pool lessons begin.
Fri 6th Whole School Assembly
Mon 9th Adelaide Cup Holiday
Tue 10th Student Free Day
Mon 16th School Council AGM 7pm
Fri 20th Whole School Assembly

APRIL
Fri 3rd Good Friday
Mon 6th Easter Monday Last Day Term 1
Fri 10th Term 2 begins

LAUNDRY ROSTER
Friday 27/2/15 Christine Prior
Friday 3/3/15 Julie Frahm
Thank you very much!
SCHOOL BANKING
REGISTRATION DAY
Friday March 13th from 8.30-9.15am
Throughout Term 1, Bank SA will credit $10 into every new Incentive saver account to help children get started with their savings efforts.

On Friday March 13th from 8.30—9.15am, Anne Doecke from the local Bank SA, will be here at school to help you open an account for your child. She will be in the Front Office area and will be able to answer any questions you may have.

You will need to bring along a copy of your child’s birth certificate and your family Medicare card.

If you are unable to attend on that day, you may also go to the local Bank SA branch in the main street.

As well as the $10 deposited into the child’s bank account, the school will also receive a $10 donation for each new account opened.

If you require any further information about this, please contact me at school.

ANNE GREEN
Deputy Principal