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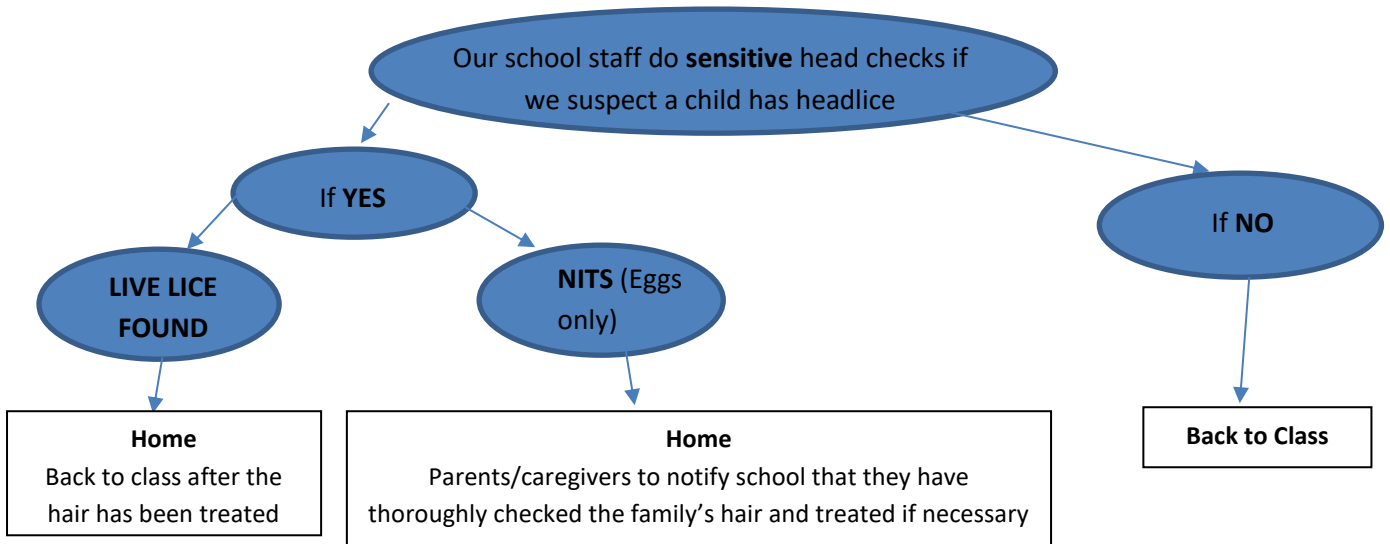
# **HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL**

## **HEAD LICE MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL**

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

INTEGRITY



**We provide free headlice treatments to school card students**

### Permission to check hair

What happens if a child is suspected of having head lice and we have permission to inspect their hair?

- The child is sent to the office
- The hair is checked
- If there are live lice or eggs detected, the office staff will phone the parent/caregiver to collect their child
- The child's hair is treated
- The child returns to school and it is recommended that the parent/caregiver notifies the school that the treatment has occurred

What happens if a child is suspected of having headlice and permission is not given to inspect the hair?

- The child is sent to the office
- The parents/caregiver is phoned to collect the child
- The child's hair is treated
- The child returns to school and it is recommended that the parent/caregiver notifies the school that the treatment has occurred

Headlice management: class teacher checklist

- Staff document on a class list which children have/have not got permission to have their hair checked for headlice
- If a teacher identifies or notices that a child has lice in their hair, they will advise support staff immediately
- Support staff will call the parent/caregivers to collect their child and treat the hair
- Students will wait in the front office until collected
- A headlice notification will be sent out on Flexibuzz to all class members