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Headteacher - Tony Head

Dear Parents,

We have had a reported case of worms in school. Although it is fine for your child to attend school if they contract worms, we would just like to highlight a few points.

If you have threadworms a pharmacist can prescribe medicine to kill them. You will need to take this for 1-3 days. Everyone in the household will need to be treated.

You will know if you have threadworms if you have:

- small, white worms in your poo that look like pieces of thread
- extreme itching around your anus, particularly at night

To avoid becoming infected again or infecting others, it is very important during the weeks after starting treatment to:

- wash hands and scrub under fingernails – particularly before eating, after using the toilet or changing nappies
- encourage children to wash hands regularly
- shower every morning
- rinse toothbrushes before using them
- keep fingernails short
- wash sleepwear, sheets, towels, and soft toys (at a hot temperature) every day for several days after treatment
- disinfect kitchen and bathroom surfaces, using hot water
- vacuum and dust with a damp cloth
- make sure everyone in the household wears underwear at night and changes it in the morning

While your children are at school, the staff will continue to encourage them to practice good hygiene by ensuring they wash their hands regularly, especially before eating and after going to the toilet.

If you need further information, please see the NHS website.

Yours sincerely



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