



Wednesday 10th January 2024

Incident of threadworms

Dear parents and carers,

We are writing today to make you aware that we have been informed of a case of threadworms within your child's class. Threadworms are easily treated but do spread quickly.

We ask that all parents take the time to read the following NHS information and guidance regarding Threadworms: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms/>

Please be on the lookout for the symptoms described and treat your child and family as necessary.

As stated in the NHS guidance, there is no need for your child to have time off of school or Nursery for threadworms.

In school we are carrying out extra cleaning procedures and are encouraging regular hand washing to help minimise the spread of infection.

Here are some key dos and don'ts from the NHS guidance when treating threadworms within your household:

Do

- 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

Don't

- do not shake clothing or bedding, to prevent eggs landing on other surfaces
- do not share towels or flannels
- do not bite nails or suck thumbs and fingers

Kind regards,
School Office Team