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Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter is to inform you of a recent outbreak of head lice in our school. When the school is aware that a child is infected, the other students in that classroom, along with the infected child's siblings, are checked for the lice. If infected, students are sent home immediately with instructions on what to do.

To help to eliminate the head lice concern, please see the flyer *Ten Steps for Staying Ahead of Head Lice* posted on Option C. We need each family to check their child/ren. If head lice invades your home, please be sure to wash bedding and recently worn clothing in hot water and dry it in a hot dryer. Vacuuming is the safest and best way to remove lice or fallen hairs with attached nits from upholstered furniture, mattresses, rugs, stuffed animals, and car seats. Students should not share combs or hats. Additional information may be found at [www.headlice.com](http://www.headlice.com) and [www.webmd.com](http://www.webmd.com).

Here are some suggestions:

1. Please check your child for lice. It looks like dandruff; however, when you go to push it off, it clings to the hair.
2. Head lice are something that happens. It is very difficult to get rid of the nits in the hair. Apart from being a great nuisance, it has no lasting effect on your health.
3. If your child has lice, ***you have a responsibility to the school, the students, and faculty to notify us.*** Classrooms are only checked when there is a cause. *Please notify us.*
4. Girls are more susceptible to lice than boys.
5. Lice like clean heads.
6. Children should not share combs at any time.
7. Be careful in movie theatres, a great source of the problem.

If you have any further questions or concerns about this, please e-mail me [smadams@qoaschool.org](mailto:smadams@qoaschool.org) or the school nurse at [mburman@qoaschool.org](mailto:mburman@qoaschool.org). Conquering this problem takes effort on everyone's part. Thank you for checking your child/ren.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sister Margaret Rose Adams, IHM".

*Sister Margaret Rose Adams, IHM*  
*Principal*  
*Queen of Angels*