

# St. Mary's Parish Primary School

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Dear Parents / Guardians,

The HPRA is the government authority for medical devices in Ireland. It is aware of serious incidents relating to the use of certain head lice treatment products and is concerned that there may be a lack of awareness of the risk of fire associated with certain products. They have published a Safety Notice on this subject and have asked us to communicate this to parents / guardians.

The HPRA advises the following if you are using a headlice treatment:

1. Read the information provided with the product prior to use.
2. Ensure you are aware of all warnings on these products.
3. Keep away from naked flames, sources of heat and do not smoke when using these products.
4. Report any adverse events/incidents associated with these products to the relevant manufacturer and the HPRA

To read the full notice go to: [http://www.hpra.ie/docs/default-source/Safety-Notices/sn201808\\_headlicetreatmentproducts\\_v34570.pdf?sfvrsn=2](http://www.hpra.ie/docs/default-source/Safety-Notices/sn201808_headlicetreatmentproducts_v34570.pdf?sfvrsn=2)

Enquiries about a specific product should be addressed to the manufacturer at the contact details found on the labelling / instructions for use. All adverse incidents relating to a product should be reported to:

Health Products Regulatory Authority  
Kevin O'Malley House  
Earlsfort Centre  
Earlsfort Terrace  
Dublin 2  
Telephone: +353-1-6764971  
E-mail: [devicesafety@hpra.ie](mailto:devicesafety@hpra.ie)  
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