

Friday 30th January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to inform you that we have recently identified a small number of confirmed cases of scabies within our school community. While scabies is a common and treatable skin condition, we feel it is important to make families aware so that symptoms can be recognised early and treated promptly.

Scabies is caused by tiny mites that burrow into the skin and is spread through prolonged skin-to-skin contact. It is not related to personal hygiene and can affect anyone.

Signs and symptoms to look out for include:

- Intense itching, especially at night
- A rash that may appear as small red bumps, spots or lines
- Commonly affected areas include the hands (especially between fingers), wrists, elbows, waist, armpits and feet

If you suspect that your child may have scabies, we recommend contacting a pharmacist as soon as possible. Treatment usually involves a medicated cream or lotion that is applied to the whole body and is generally very effective when used correctly. It is also important that close household contacts are treated at the same time, even if they do not have symptoms.

Children can usually return to school 24 hours after the first treatment has been completed. Please inform the school if your child is diagnosed, as this helps us monitor the situation and provide appropriate guidance.

Click on this NHS link if you'd like to know more:

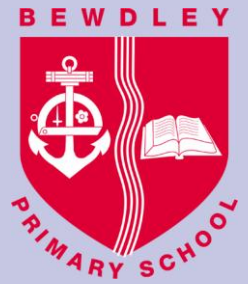
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/scabies/>

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding in helping us keep our school community healthy. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Kind regards,



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