

A NOTE FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

Scabies Diagnosed in School

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Dear Parent,

There has been a diagnosed and treated case of scabies among our students here at school. Scabies is an itchy condition caused by tiny mites that burrow under the skin and found mostly between fingers and toes. The itching is usually worse at night.

Signs and symptoms

- ✓ Scabies appear as small bumps, blisters, or as tiny raised lines that resemble scabs.
- ✓ Sores are often seen between fingers, on the inside of wrists and elbows, and under the arms. In babies, the head, neck, hands, and feet sometimes have the sores.
- ✓ Itching is very bad and does not stop.
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Scabies should not be seen as a sign of poverty, poor hygiene or crowding. It can affect anyone no matter the age, race, or personal cleanliness.

If you think that your child may have scabies, it is very important to contact your child's doctor as soon as you can. They can make the diagnosis and give you the correct treatment.

Scabies will not go away without the correct treatment.
Please do NOT try to treat scabies at home.

Sincerely,

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