



CLINIC CORNER

Notes From The Nurse

Fall is in full swing and we are working to keep our classrooms healthy and ready to learn. If your child has a health condition or needs special care during the school day such as medication, treatments, or monitoring, please inform the school nurse. Individual health care plans help keep students safe and healthy. Please contact me with any questions or concerns powderlya@saseas.org or 575-0093, option 6.

Pertussis

Pertussis has been identified in several students at SASEAS (St. Andrew Campus). Pertussis is an infection of the airways and can be easily spread from person to person by coughing or sneezing. The cough can be severe and last for weeks or months, sometimes leading to coughing fits and/or vomiting. In order to contain the spread of this infection it is recommended to keep your child home if he/she has a significant cough. Make an appointment with your child's doctor as soon as possible.

Head Lice

Head lice is a common problem that affects school-aged children and their families.

How do you check for head lice?

Seat your child in a bright area (a magnifying light is helpful)
Part the hair.

Look for crawling lice and nits on your child's scalp one section at a time using a fine tooth comb.

Live lice are hard to find. They avoid light and move quickly.

Nits will look like small white or yellow-brown specks and be firmly attached to the hair near the scalp. The easiest place to find them is at the hairline at the back of the neck or behind the ears. Nits can be confused with many other things such as dandruff, dirt particles, or hair spray droplets. The way to tell the difference is that nits are firmly attached to hair, while dandruff, dirt, or other particles are not.

Hearing & Vision Screenings

Hearing and Vision Screenings were completed last week on all Kindergarten and First Grade Students. Results were sent home. Students with abnormal screenings will be re-checked in 3-4 weeks. Hearing and Vision Screenings will continue over the next several months for 3rd, 5th and 7th grade.

