



# The Ambassador

Freedom 7 Elementary School of International Studies  
An International Baccalaureate World School



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## Principal's Message

**December 11**

Holiday Show;  
Grades 4—6, 5:00

**December 14**

Early Release - 2:15

**December 18**

SAC Meeting; 4:30

**December 19-21**

Early Release - 2:15

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**January 10**

Students Return

**January 11**

Early Release; 2:15

**January 15**

SAC Meeting; 4:30

**January 18**

Early Release - 2:15

**January 21**

No School; Martin  
Luther King Day

**January 25**

Early Release; 2:15



Dear Parents,

Thank you to all the volunteers who contributed to our teacher appreciation luncheon this week. It was delicious and appreciated.

The benefit to raise funds for our fourth-grade student, August, was a huge success. Thank you to the many people who planned and worked this event, and to those that supported it through their generous contributions. We all look forward to the day she returns to Freedom 7 well again.

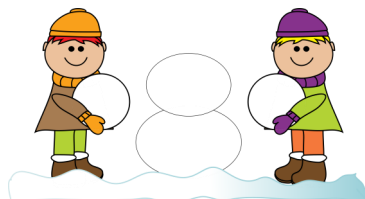
Today's surprise retirement celebration honoring me, at the APT Holiday Breakfast then at the afternoon assembly was unexpected, very touching and much appreciated. Kindergarteners sang me a retirement song 😊 food was abundant, and the cake was over the top. Thank you to those that planned this surprise for me. It makes leaving Freedom 7 even more bittersweet than it already is. I will miss all of you, especially, your precious children. It has been such a privilege and honor to serve as principal here for all these years. It has been one of my most fulfilling, rewarding and humbling experiences of my life. While I turn away from you, I look forward to spending quality time with my grandchildren, who are growing as quickly as your children are. Time really can slip away. I'm on to the next adventure, but will remember my days at Freedom 7 fondly, along with so many of you that I have enjoyed getting to know and work with closely achieving so much together. You have been a blessing to me and our school.

I am looking forward to the holiday show on Tuesday, Dec 11<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:00 for 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders. Please drop the students in the CFI at 4:45. Holiday attire for students performing would be appropriate. Mrs. Lott will visit again for that show and visit with you afterwards, if you like. I know she is looking forward to joining our school community.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Warm Regards,

Mrs. Zimmerman



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# HOUR OF CODE

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This week students participated in “The Hour of Code.” It is a worldwide event that is aimed to encourage all students to try their hand at computer science and programming. Here are some fun links if your child is interested.

Grinch Hour of Code- <http://www.grinchhourofcode.com>

Code.org- <https://code.org/dance>

Tynker- <https://www.tynker.com/hour-of-code>

# We Need You!

## Calling All Freedom 7 Families!

Sixth grade students are in need of mentors for their Exhibition projects! We are studying the Sustainable Development Goals that were created by the United Nations. Are you an expert in any of the following areas?

- Poverty
- Hunger
- Education
- Equality
- Environment
- Health
- Energy
- Climate
- Infrastructure
- Economy



Even if you aren't an expert, we can use your help guiding the students in their inquiry!

### Requirements

- Meet with student groups once a week (during school, 30 min to 1 hour)
- Facilitate inquiry and research with the students
- Ask guiding questions and provide encouragement
- You do NOT have to be the parent of a sixth grader! All are welcome!

If you are interested, please fill out [this form](#) and attend our training meeting on December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 2:45-3:30.

If you can't commit to being a mentor, but you are available to be a GUEST SPEAKER on one of the topics above, please fill out [this form](#).

# Safe Routes to School Parent Survey



The Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization needs your help to make students' routes to school safer. Safe Routes to School programs aim to make it safer for students to walk and bike to school and encourage more walking and biking where safety is not a barrier. Not only does walking and biking to school limit traffic congestion, but studies also show that the exercise experienced by walking or bicycling to school helps students perform better on their school work.

**We would like to hear your thoughts on walking and bicycling to school.**

**Please take 5-10 minutes to complete the Safe Routes to School Survey to help us improve your child's route to school. Your input is so extremely valuable!**

**Safe Routes To School Survey Link: <http://www.saferoutesdata.org/surveyformparent.cfm?key=846581>**



#### Mission

To serve every student with excellence as the standard.

#### Vision

Brevard Public Schools will serve our community and enhance students' lives by delivering the highest quality education in a culture of dedication, collaboration, & learning.





# Head Lice Facts

- Head lice are common among all classes of people.
- You can completely control a head lice infestation with manual removal alone. You cannot completely control head lice with head lice shampoos alone. You must combine shampoo treatment with manual removal.

(University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences  
<http://extension.uga.edu/publications/detail.cfm?number=C851>)

## According to the American Academy of Pediatrics:

- Most cases of head lice are acquired outside of the school.
- Head lice cause no medical harm.
- Head lice are transmitted by head-to-head contact.

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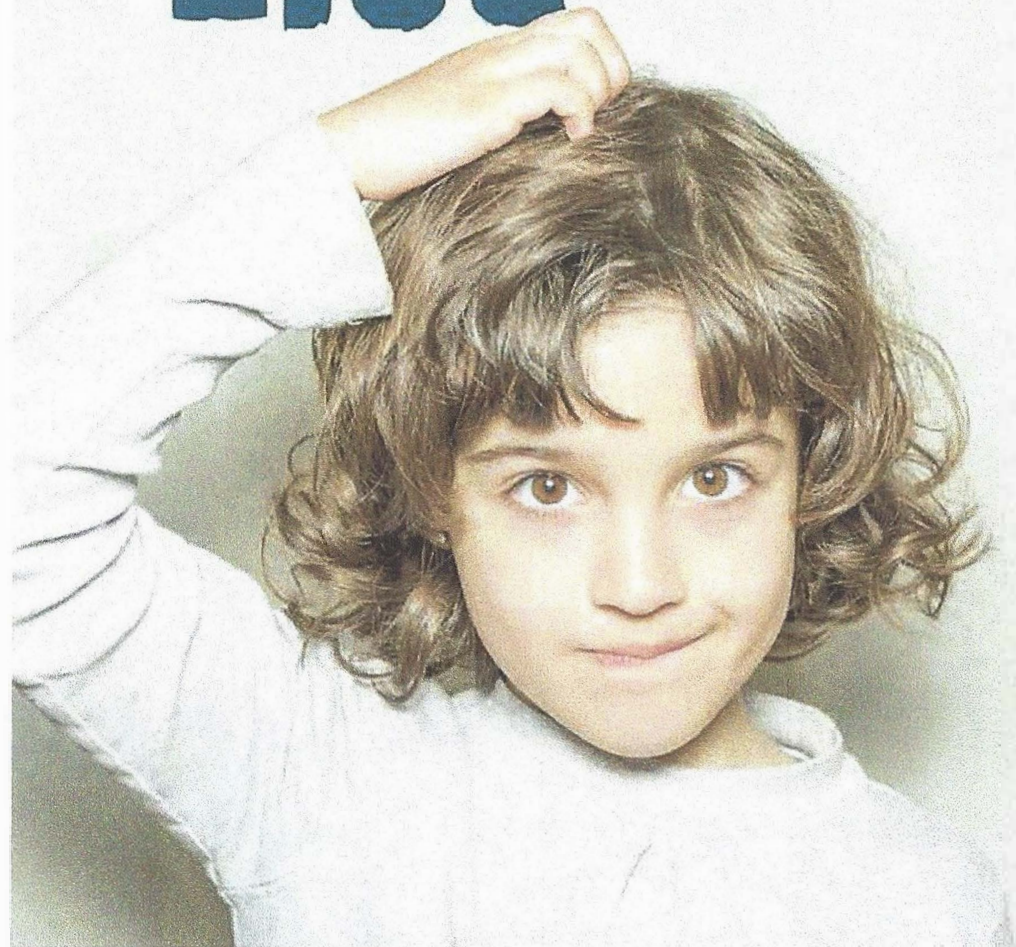
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# Head Lice

Facts and  
prevention





## Head Lice Prevention and Control



Head lice are spread most commonly by direct head-to-head (hair-to-hair) contact. However, much less frequently they are spread by

sharing clothing or belongings onto which lice have crawled or nits attached to shed hairs may have fallen. The risk of getting infested by a louse that has fallen onto a carpet or furniture is very small. Head lice survive less than 1–2 days if they fall off a person and cannot feed; nits cannot hatch and usually die within a week if they are not kept at the same temperature as that found close to the scalp.



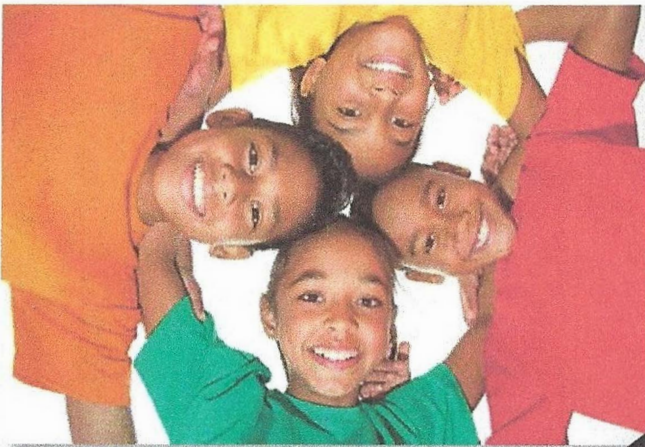
**Do not lie on beds, couches, pillows, carpets, or stuffed animals that have recently been in contact with an infested person.**

Machine wash and dry clothing, bed linens, and other items that an infested person wore or used during the 2 days before treatment using the hot water (130°F) laundry

cycle and the high heat drying cycle. Clothing and items that are not washable can be dry-cleaned OR sealed in a plastic bag and stored for 2 weeks.



**The following are steps that can be taken to help prevent and control the spread of head lice:**



Avoid head-to-head (hair-to-hair) contact during play and other activities at home, school, and elsewhere (sports activities, playground, slumber parties, camp).



**Vacuum the floor and furniture, particularly where the infested person sat or lay. However, spending much time and money on housecleaning activities is not necessary to avoid reinfestation by lice or nits that may have fallen off the head or crawled onto furniture or clothing.**



**Do not share combs, brushes, or towels. Disinfest combs and brushes used by an infested person by soaking them in hot water (at least 130°F) for 5–10 minutes.**

Do not share clothing such as hats, scarves, coats, sports uniforms, hair ribbons, or barrettes.



**Do not use fumigant sprays or fogs; they are not necessary to control head lice and can be toxic if inhaled or absorbed through the skin.**