

# Tune in on Tuesday

Wheelwright Lane Primary School Newsletter

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## Diary Dates

Diary dates for the Summer Term are shown below and will be included and updated on every newsletter.

01.05.2022 to 27.05.2022	KS1 SATs
17.05.2022	Fire Service in to speak to Yr1 and Yr5
19.05.2022	O.P.P. reviews with parents
26.05.2022	Reception class Ugly Bug Ball
27.05.2022	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration party - picnic in school
27.05.2022	Children break up for half term
06.06.2022 Monday	Children return to school
06.06.2022	Year 1 phonics testing begins
08.06.2022	Year 5 MAD Museum trip
15.06.2022	10 children to represent the school at Coventry University - The Great Science Share
15.06.2022	Year 5 and 6 to The Belgrade to see Hamlet (p.m.)
24.6.2022	Year 5 Sing concert Warwick Arts Centre

2021/22-Extra Bank Holiday Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - School finishes Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 2.15.

2022/23 INSET days: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023

(1 more day to be set)

## Extra-curricular activities

New groups will be allocated from 25<sup>th</sup> April

Monday			
Tuesday	Tag Rugby	Y5 & Y6	12.30 - 1.00
	Multiskills	Y4 & Y5 & Y6	3.15 - 4.15
Wednesday	Football	Y3 & Y4	12.30 - 1.00
	Multi-skills	Y1 & Y2 & Y3	3.15 - 4.15
Friday	Dance	Y1 and Y2	3.15-4.15

## HT Appointment

Dear Parents/Carers

I am pleased to inform you that following a rigorous and successful recruitment process, Miss Stacey Rutherford has been appointed as the new Headteacher of Wheelwright Lane, commencing September 2022.

We strongly believe that Miss Rutherford is the right person to continue the journey of our School and look forward to all working together in the years ahead.

I am sure everyone will join me in wishing her a long, successful and rewarding future leading our School.

Mr Dave Grove

Chair of Governors.

Well done Miss Rutherford from all school staff.

We will both be working closely together over this next half term to ensure that a robust handover takes place.

Mrs Browne.

## Public Health Information for Parents

Since January 2022 there has been an increase in the number of children with acute (sudden onset) hepatitis of unknown cause in the UK. Most of these children are aged under 10 years. Please read the attached leaflet from the UK

Health Security Agency (formerly PHE) for further details.

## KS2 SATs

Well done to all of our Year 6 children. They were incredibly resilient throughout all of last week. All of the children were focused on their SATs and kept going right up to the last minute. We were all very proud of their efforts. Thank you parents/carers for your support in preparing them for their exams - much appreciated.

Well done Year 6.

## Year 1 trip to Ryton Pools

The rain did not stop the fun! Year 1 had a super time at Ryton Pools and were well prepared for the downpours - lots of wellington boots and waterproofs. They joined in pond dipping, den making, and enjoyed their time indoors and outdoors.



## Year 6 visit Cadbury World

What a treat after SATs - Cadbury World and free chocolate. Mr Trew combined a special treat with the current Year 6 topic on Mayan Culture - nicely done Mr Trew.

Children and staff had a great time - a popular trip.





## Vaccinations for 5-11 year olds

Government information regarding vaccinations:

Healthy 5 to 11 year olds are now being offered vaccinations outside of schools in vaccination centres, pharmacies, GPs and walk-in centres.

It remains important that those most at risk from COVID-19 are protected with vaccinations. For more information, we have updated our blog on [vaccinations for clinically vulnerable children and young people](#).

## Queen's Platinum Jubilee

We have our party picnic planned for Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Thank you to all who have sent in their slips for the picnic lunch.

We have ordered plain sponge cakes from Costco for the children. Please let your child's teacher know if they are unable to have the cake.

Each class will be performing a dance from one of the decades from the Queen's reign as follows:

Nursery/Reception - 1980's

Year 1 - 1970's

Year 2 - 1960's

Year 3 - 1990's

Year 4 - 2000's

Year 5 - 2020's

Year 6 - 1950's

We would like the children to wear clothes that represent their dance era (please do not buy clothes - just a representation will do - you may even have something in your own wardrobe from some of the decades!)

Let's hope the weather holds.



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# **Increase in acute hepatitis (liver inflammation) cases in children**

## Information for parents

27 April 2022



# Overview of the recent increase in hepatitis

Since January 2022 there has been an increase in the number of children with acute (sudden onset) hepatitis of unknown cause in the UK. Most of these children are aged under 10 years.

Hepatitis is a condition that causes inflammation of the liver and can be caused by infection with a virus. The viruses that normally cause hepatitis (hepatitis viruses A to E) have not been found in the children affected recently. Other possible causes of acute hepatitis, including some medications and toxins, are also being investigated however so far a link has not been found. The UK Health Security Agency is working with the NHS and public health colleagues across the UK to find the cause as soon as possible.

## What are the symptoms of hepatitis?

Hepatitis symptoms include:

- yellowing of the white part of the eyes or skin (jaundice)  
<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/jaundice/>
- dark urine
- pale, grey-coloured faeces (poo)
- itchy skin
- muscle and joint pain
- a high temperature
- feeling and being sick
- feeling unusually tired all the time
- loss of appetite
- tummy pain

You do not need to contact the NHS unless your child is very unwell (for example, has breathing difficulties or is not eating or drinking) or if they develop jaundice (yellowing of the eyes or skin). If your child is getting rapidly worse or you are worried, trust your instincts and contact your GP or call the NHS on 111.

## Which children are at risk of acute hepatitis?

Almost all of the children with acute hepatitis have been aged under 10 years, with most aged between 3 and 5 years. Most of the children affected were previously healthy, and only a very small number are linked to another case of hepatitis. This means that even if there has been someone with hepatitis among your family or friends, or at your child's nursery or school, your child is still at low risk.

## What is causing the increase in acute hepatitis in children?

The viruses that normally cause hepatitis (hepatitis viruses A- E) have not been found in the children affected by the recent increase in acute hepatitis, therefore public health teams are looking at all other possible causes.

One area being explored is whether the hepatitis cases are linked to an increase in infections caused by adenovirus, a common cause of childhood illness. Over the last two years children have been mixing less because of the COVID-19 pandemic and because of this the number of common infections seen in children was reduced. Now that children are mixing more we are seeing an increase in some infections, including adenovirus.

We are also investigating other possible causes such as another infection (including COVID-19) or something in the environment. Some of the children with acute hepatitis have recently had a COVID-19 infection, but there has been a high number of COVID-19 infections in this age group so this is not unexpected.

There is no link between these hepatitis cases and the COVID-19 vaccine. None of the current cases aged under 10 years old in the UK is known to have been vaccinated.

## What do I need to do if my child is unwell with symptoms of a viral illness?

Viral infections, including adenovirus, are common in children and cause a range of mild illnesses including colds, vomiting and diarrhoea. Adenovirus or other infections don't normally cause hepatitis, but it can be a **very rare** complication of some types of viral infection.

If your child develops the common mild symptoms that could be due to a viral infection, such as symptoms of a cold, vomiting or diarrhoea, the chance of them developing hepatitis is **extremely low**. Most children will soon recover following rest and plenty of fluids.

You do not need to contact the NHS unless your child is very unwell (for example, has breathing difficulties or is not eating or drinking) or if they develop jaundice (yellowing of the eyes or skin). If your child is getting rapidly worse or you are worried, trust your instincts and contact your GP or call the NHS on 111.

Children who are unwell should be kept at home and not be sent to [school or nursery](#). Children who have experienced symptoms of a gastrointestinal infection including vomiting and diarrhoea should not return to school or nursery until 48 hours after the symptoms have stopped.

## How do I prevent the spread of common childhood infections?

Childhood infections are commonly passed from person to person through close contact, coughing and sneezing or by touching contaminated surfaces.

The most effective way to reduce the spread of infections is to practice good hand and respiratory hygiene. Cover your nose and mouth when you cough and sneeze, wash your hands regularly. Supervise thorough handwashing in younger children and make sure they cover their nose and mouth when they cough or sneeze.

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