

Date: 2nd October 2026
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Dear Parent / Carer,

Re: Hepatitis A infection

Public Health Wales has identified cases of Hepatitis A linked to St John Lloyd R.C. Primary School. We are working closely with the school to identify anyone who could be at risk of infection.

Hepatitis A is spread through the poo of an infected person. It can be passed easily to others through food and drink or other close contact if hands are not washed properly. Young children with Hepatitis A infection often have mild or no symptoms and usually recover well. However, even if they have no symptoms, they are still infectious and can pass it on to others.

Good hand washing after using the toilet and changing nappies and before preparing or eating food is the best way to prevent the virus spreading.

If your child becomes unwell with any of the symptoms below, please ask your GP for further advice and tell them that you have had this letter. Please also let the school know.

The symptoms of Hepatitis A are:

- Loss of appetite, feeling sick, vomiting.
- Tiredness, general aches and pains, headaches, and fever.
- Tummy pain.
- Jaundice – this causes the skin and the whites of the eyes to become yellow. Jaundice can also cause very dark pee, pale poo, and itchy skin.

Hepatitis A Vaccination

Hepatitis A infection can be prevented by vaccination. **The vaccine is very safe and cannot cause infection.**

Hepatitis A vaccine will be offered to all staff and children at St John Lloyd R.C. Primary School. Even if your child has already been exposed to the Hepatitis A virus before vaccination, having the vaccine can still offer protection and may help reduce their symptoms.

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Your child has been identified as a close contact, and we are inviting them to attend the following drop-in Hepatitis A vaccination session which is being run by the Cardiff and Vale University Health Board at;

St John Lloyd R.C. Primary School on **Tuesday 6th October**, between **9:00am and 3:30pm**.

Consent forms will be sent home with your child on Friday 2nd October. Parents and carers are asked to complete and return the form on the day of the vaccination (6/10/26) and to attend the appointment with their child.

Below are the time slots allocated to each class (If parents have multiple children, then they must attend the oldest child's time slot)

09:00	Y6 LB	09:30	Y5/6 RH	10:00	Y5 HS	10:30	Y3/4 RJ	11:15	Nursery am
11:45	Y3/4 NL	13:15	Y4 NSh	13:45	Y2	14:15	Y1	14:40	Reception
15:05	Nursery pm								

If you are unable to attend the vaccination at the school or have any vaccination related query, please contact the Cardiff and Vale Health Board Immunisation Team on **02921 841234**.

If you have any questions about this letter or any other concerns, please contact the Public Health Wales Health Protection Team on **0300 00 300 32** during office hours (**Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm**), quoting reference number **I24602**.

Further information on Hepatitis A – including some common questions and answers - can be found at [NHS 111 Wales - Health A-Z : Hepatitis A](#)

We will continue to work with the school and monitor the situation. We will be in touch with you should any further action be needed.

Yours sincerely

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FAQ

Why have I received this letter?

Public Health Wales has identified cases of Hepatitis A linked to St John Lloyd R.C. Primary School Following advice from the Public Health Wales Team, a vaccination programme is being offered as a precaution on Tuesday 6th February.

Does this mean my child has hepatitis A?

No. The offer of vaccination does not mean your child is infected. It is a preventative measure.

Why is the vaccine being offered to all pupils?

This recommendation has been made by the Public Health Wales Team to help reduce the risk of further spread.

Do I need to attend with my child?

Yes. A parent or carer should attend to provide consent and speak with the healthcare team if required.

Should my child continue to attend school?

Yes. Children should continue to attend school as normal.

What if I cannot attend the School on Tuesday 6th February?

That is okay. You can still get your child vaccinated by: Calling the Cardiff & Vale Health Board Immunisation Team on 02921 841234.

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