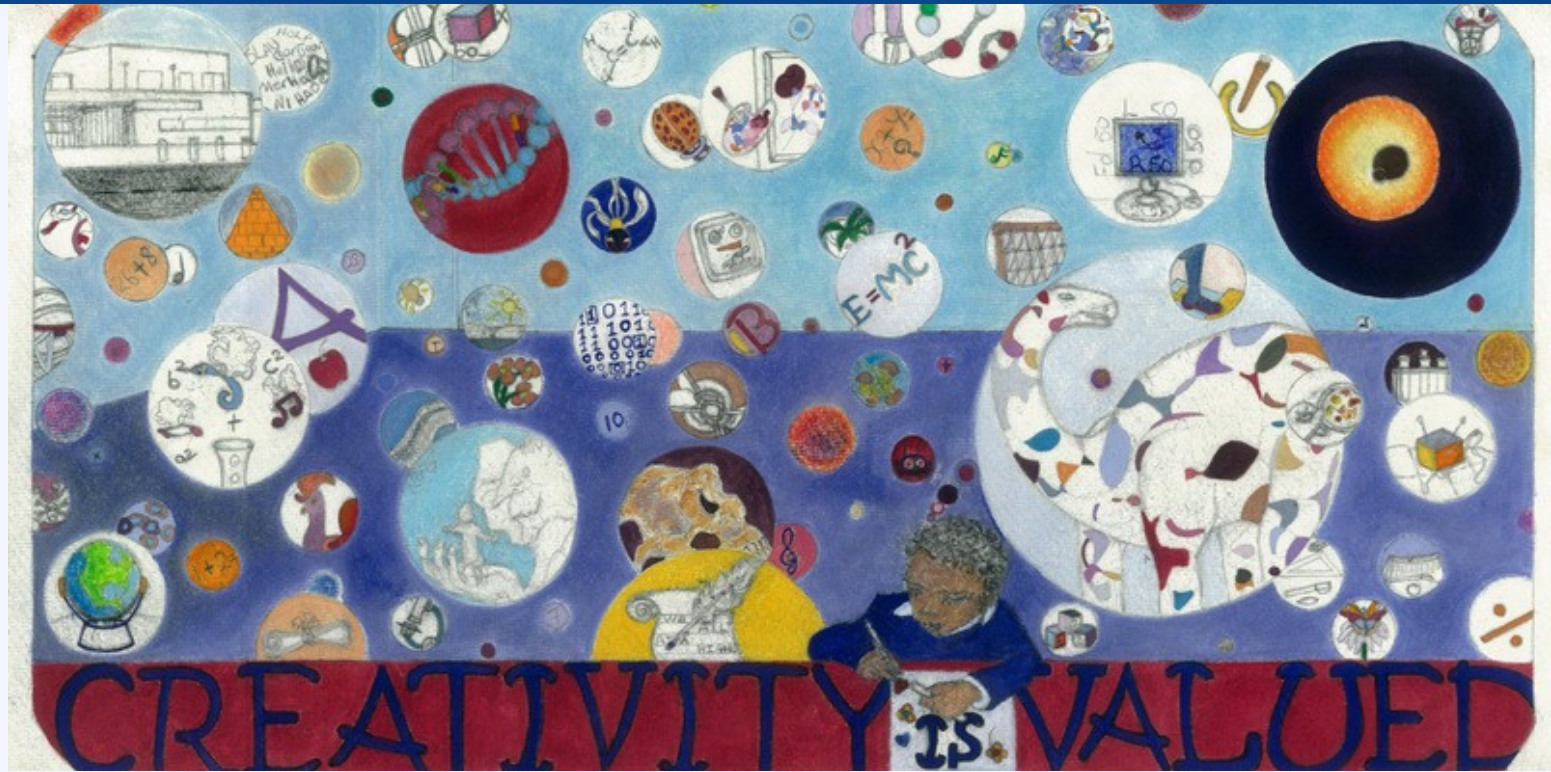


July 2026

Lancasterian Lowdown

A safe and welcoming learning community where:

- we all aim high;*
- everyone is included*
- creativity is valued.*



Welcome to Our School Newsletter

Welcome to this month's edition of our school newsletter. At Lancasterian Primary School, we are proud to be a safe, welcoming and inclusive learning community where every child is encouraged to aim high and reach their full potential.

Our school is at the heart of Tottenham, a vibrant and diverse part of London, and we are incredibly proud of the many cultures, languages and experiences that make up our school community. Each month, our newsletter is a chance to share some of the wonderful learning, achievements and events that take place across the school.

In this edition, you will see highlights from our classrooms, celebrations from around the school, and important updates for families. We hope this newsletter helps you feel connected to the exciting learning and experiences happening every day at Lancasterian.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us create a positive and inspiring environment for all our children.



A Message from **Our Co-Head Teachers**

Reflecting on another fantastic year at Lancasterian Primary School

As we reach the end of another successful school year, we would like to share a few messages with a our wonderful school community

Thank You

As we reach the end of another successful school year, we would like to thank everyone who has helped make Lancasterian such a special place. Our staff, volunteers, governors, parents and carers have all played an important part in supporting our children throughout the year.

Most importantly, thank you to our wonderful children. Your enthusiasm, kindness, resilience and hard work make us incredibly proud every day.

Celebrating Our Achievements

Although the publication of this year's Key Stage 2 outcomes has been delayed nationally until 16th July, we are delighted with the excellent outcomes achieved so far in:

- **Reception Good Level of Development**
- **Year 1 Phonics Screening Check**
- **Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check**

We look forward to sharing a full summary of our statutory assessment results at the beginning of the autumn term.

A Fantastic Summer Fair

Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Summer Fair. It was wonderful to see so many families enjoying the afternoon together.

A special thank you goes to our PSA and to Katia Calamia for their dedication and hard work in organising such a successful event.

Thanks to everyone's generosity, the fair raised a fantastic amount of money that will help provide even more opportunities for our children.

A Message From Our Co-Headteachers

Planning for Hot Weather

The recent heatwaves presented some challenges, and we would like to thank everyone for helping keep our children safe.

During the autumn term, we will be developing a Heatwave Plan with staff, parents, carers and governors. This will outline how the school responds during periods of extreme heat. We will also begin exploring longer-term improvements to the school environment, including air conditioning and environmentally friendly initiatives such as solar panels.

Saying Goodbye to Valued Colleagues

Caroline
**Early Years
Nursery Nurse**

Thank you for the many years of care and support you've given to our youngest learners.

Deirdre
**Early Years
Teacher**

Thank you for your dedication across Nursery, Reception and the Additional Resource Base

Elyse
**Teaching
Assistant**

Thank you for your fantastic support in Key Stage 2 and the Additional Resource Base.

Jamal
**Teaching
Assistant**

Thank you for supporting children across the school, particularly in Year 4.



Good Luck, Year 6!

We also say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 children as they begin an exciting new chapter at secondary school. Thank you for all your hard work and for the many happy memories you've created at Lancasterian.

We wish you every success for the future and hope you leave with fond memories of your time here.

Have a Wonderful Summer!

We hope all of our children, families and staff enjoy a safe, relaxing and well-deserved summer break.

Thank you once again for your continued support throughout the year. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year at Lancasterian.

RAINBOW DAY 2026

Celebrating Diversity, Inclusion & Belonging

24th JUNE
2026

On Wednesday 24th June, Lancasterian celebrated Rainbow Day, bringing together Windrush Day, Refugee Week and Pride Month. Pupils enjoyed a colourful day of learning, reflection and celebration, proudly wearing bright non-uniform to represent the diversity of our school community.

Celebrating Windrush Day

family members, people in their community or famous figures, celebrating stories of resilience, culture and belonging. Our catering team also prepared a delicious Caribbean-themed lunch in recognition of Windrush Day, helping children to see the lasting impact of the Windrush Generation in modern Britain.



STORYTIME WITH CHAI T GRANDE

Children also had the opportunity to attend an optional lunchtime storytime led by a professional drag performer, Chai T Grande, who has a family connection to our school, where stories and discussion centred on kindness, inclusion and celebrating our differences.



Throughout the day, pupils explored themes of identity, kindness and community through engaging activities. Key Stage 1 and 2 children shared biographies and interviews celebrating family members, inspiring people and stories of resilience, culture and belonging.

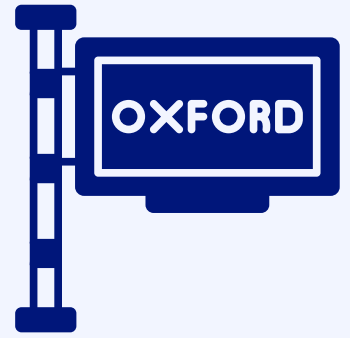


♥ Thank you to our staff, pupils, families, catering team and special guest for making Rainbow Day such a joyful celebration of our Lancasterian community.

YEAR 4 & 5 VISIT TO OXFORD



UNIVERSITY



As part of the Tottenham University Project, some of our Year 4 and Year 5 pupils were selected to visit Oxford University.

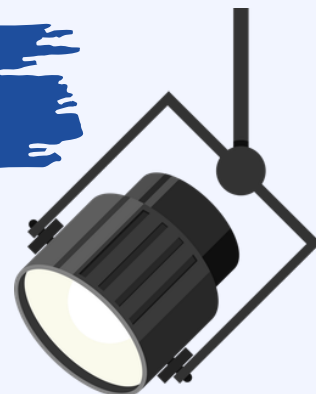
The children had a fantastic day taking part in outdoor activities, exploring the beautiful university grounds, and enjoying a guided tour of the campus. It was an exciting opportunity to experience university life and inspire their future aspirations.





YEAR 3 & YEAR 6

DRAMA WORKSHOP!



Year 6 and Year 3 enjoyed an inspiring drama workshop packed with creativity, imagination and lots of giggles. The children worked brilliantly together, throwing themselves into every challenge with enthusiasm and energy.

Thank you to @ceyoutht for such a wonderful workshop. The children loved every minute!



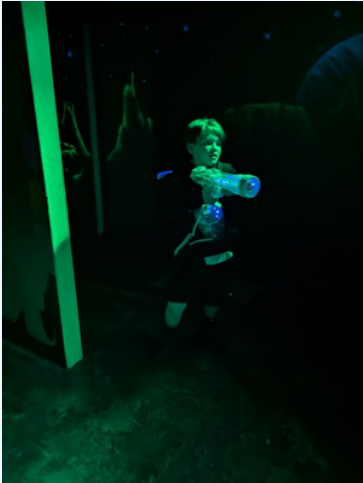


YEAR 6

Laser Tag



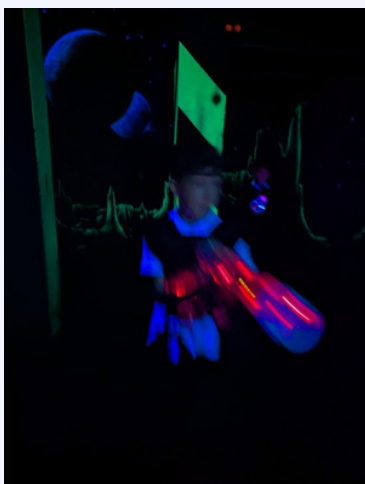
Trip



Year 6 had a fantastic time on their Laser Tag trip in Enfield! The children showed great teamwork, communication and resilience as they worked together in exciting team challenges.



They demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, encouraging one another and celebrating each other's successes throughout the day. The trip was a wonderful opportunity to build confidence, strengthen friendships and create lasting memories as they celebrate the end of their primary school journey.





YEAR 1 VISIT TO FREIGHTLINERS FARM

A Fantastic Day of Learning and Fun!



Year 1 had a wonderful time visiting Freightliners Farm, where they enjoyed meeting a variety of friendly farm animals and taking part in an exciting candle making workshop. The children especially loved the 'kind big black cows' and the 'velvety rabbits'. Everyone was brave and learnt how to stroke and handle the animals gently and respectfully.



During the workshop, the children discovered how candles are made from scratch before shaping and creating their own candles. It was a fantastic hands-on experience that sparked curiosity, creativity and lots of smiles





SPORTS DAY

2026



A Day Full of Energy, Teamwork and Fun!



What an incredible day! From the javelin and hurdles to the egg and spoon race, sprints and relays, every event was met with enthusiasm, determination and plenty of encouragement from the side-lines.

Throughout the day, pupils demonstrated fantastic teamwork, resilience and sportsmanship, giving every challenge their very best effort while cheering on their classmates. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces enjoying the excitement of the day.

Already looking forward to Sports Day 2027!

Sprinting



Relay Race



Hurdles



Javelin



SUMMER FAYRE

2026



A Wonderful Day for Our School Community

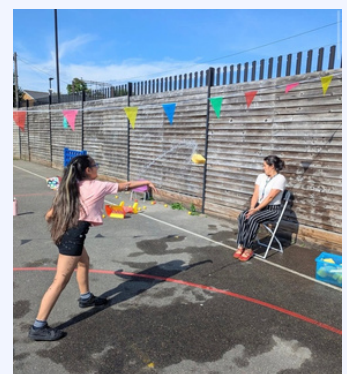
We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who supported our Summer Fayre. Thanks to the incredible generosity, enthusiasm and kindness of our families, staff, volunteers and PSA, we are delighted to share that we raised an amazing

£3,469.46!

Every penny raised will go towards creating a brand-new library space, giving our children a welcoming and inspiring environment where they can discover the joy of reading and learning.

A huge thank you goes to our fantastic volunteers and the PSA, whose hard work, creativity and careful planning made the event such a tremendous success. From running stalls and games to serving refreshments and face painting, your dedication helped create a fun-filled day for everyone.

Thank you for being such an important part of the Lancasterian community. Your continued support helps us create wonderful opportunities for our children, and we are incredibly grateful.



NURSERY PLACES

AVAILABLE

FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

*A warm and nurturing
start to learning for
children aged 2, 3 and
4 years*

We are delighted to share that since September we have successfully expanded our nursery provision, and it has been wonderful to see it thriving.

We are now allocating nursery places for September 2026 and warmly invite families to apply.

The deadline for applications is **15th May** so please share this information with friends, family and the wider community.

We look forward to welcoming new families into our nursery community.



WRAPAROUND CARE



We also offer wraparound care for children aged **2, 3 and 4 years**, with flexible support from early morning to the end of the school day.



Apply now via the [school website.](#)

Reception Tour 2027

Come and see what makes Lancasterian Primary School such a wonderful place to learn.

THINKING OF JOINING OUR SCHOOL?

If your child is due to start Reception in September 2027, we'd love to welcome you to Lancasterian Primary School.

Our school tours are a fantastic opportunity to meet our staff, explore our learning environment and discover everything our wonderful Early Years provision has to offer.

Reception Tour Dates

- Monday 14 September • 4.00–5.00 pm
- Monday 28 September • 4.00–5.00 pm
- Monday 12 October • 4.00–5.00 pm
- Monday 2 November • 4.00–5.00 pm
- Monday 16 November • 4.00–5.00 pm
- Monday 11 January • 4.00–5.00 pm

Special Open Morning

Tuesday 24 November
9:00 am – 10:30 am

See Lancasterian in action as you visit classrooms during the school day.

Meet our staff, explore our learning environment and experience the warm and welcoming atmosphere that makes our school so special.



Book Your Place

We warmly invite all prospective parents and carers to book a visit.

Please contact the School Office or use the booking link below.

<https://ticketlab.app/event/37897#/>



SCHOOL FEES

Reminder

As every year, we kindly ask all parents and carers to ensure that all outstanding school fees are paid in full by 13 July 2026.

If you use the Tax-Free Childcare scheme and usually make your payment at the end of the month, we would appreciate it if you could schedule your payment earlier where possible. This will help our finance team complete the rollover to the new academic year.

We hope the remaining weeks of term provide enough time for you to plan accordingly. Please note that all fees have already been pre-charged to your account up to the last day of the school year.

Need Help?



Email us

admin@lancs-
pri.haringey.sch.uk



Check your balance

via your SCOPAY account

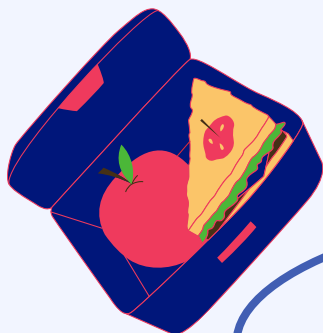


Speak to

the School Office

we are here to help !

FREE SCHOOL MEALS



UPDATE !



Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to let you know about changes to Free | School Meals (FSM) from September 2026.

WHAT IS CHANGING?

From September 2026:

- Children in families receiving Universal Credit will be able to get Free School Meals
- The current protection for some families already receiving FSM will end

This means:

- Some families may become newly eligible for FSM
- Some families who currently receive FSM may no longer qualify

WHAT THE SCHOOL WILL DO

From 01/06/2026, the school office will begin checking which families are eligible for Free School Meals for September 2026.

The school office will contact:

- Families whose child will qualify for FSM
- Families whose current FSM entitlement will end.

If a family no longer qualifies after the check, their child will still receive Free School Meals until the end of the summer term on 17/07/2026. Checks will then take place every year to make sure families still meet the FSM rules.

RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will still receive free school meals for all pupils through the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme.

KEY STAGE 2 PUPILS

Mayor of London's free school meals funding for Key Stage 2 will continue in 2026-2027.

IMPORTANT !!

If you have not already given the school your:

- Parent full name
- Parent date of birth
- Parent National Insurance number

Please contact or email the school office as soon as possible. Without this information, we cannot check your child's eligibility for Free School Meals.

Thank you.



SUMMER CAMP



Come join us for our Camp! Stay active and have fun with Football, Multi-sports, Arts & crafts, Smoothie making , Nerf war and disco. A great way to make friends, and try something new this Easter (Our staff are DBS-checked and trained to support children with additional needs and diabetes.)

Location: Harris Academy Tottenham,
Ashley Road, Tottenham, London, N17 9LN

Dates & Time: 21- 24 July ,

27th - 30th July , 3rd - 6th August ,

24th - 27th August 2026

9:30AM-3:30 PM Cost: £15 per day

£7 For 3:30 - 5pm £5 Hot lunch Age: 5 - 14

(Sibling/Full week/Earlybird

discount)



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places

Free School
Meal places



☎ 07486 046938 info@mbcommunitycic.com

Funded Early Learning and Childcare Offers



All parents

3 and 4-year olds

All 3 and 4-year olds in Haringey can get up to 15 hours of funded early learning and childcare per week.

Visit your chosen registered childcare provider to apply for a place. No code or eligibility letter required.

Working parents

9 months-4 year olds

Working parents can get up to 30 hours of funded early learning and childcare per week.

An online application is required for an eligibility code.

Parents receiving additional support

Free for 2s

If you receive additional support, you could get up to 15 hours of funded early learning and childcare per week.

If you are eligible you will receive an eligibility letter.

To find out more about the childcare and early years support we provide, please visit:

[haringey.gov.uk/ childcare-early-years](https://haringey.gov.uk/childcare-early-years)



Don't miss out!

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LONDON



SCOOTER & BIKE REMINDER



A gentle reminder to parents and carers to please take your child's scooter or bike home at the end of each school day.

Scooters and bikes should **NOT** be left overnight on school premises. Please also take padlocks home rather than leaving them attached to fences or racks.

This helps us keep the site safe, secure and clear for everyone.

★ *Thank you for helping keep our school site safe and tidy.*

Attendance Reminder

Why Attendance Matters?

Regular attendance is vital for your child's learning progress and wellbeing. Pupils are expected to attend school every day for the full academic year unless there is an exceptional reason for absence.

The school is legally required to take the attendance register twice each day.

Morning Registration

- 8:30am – Year 6
- 8:50am – Reception
- 8:55am – KS1
- 9:00am – KS2

Afternoon Registration

- Taken during the afternoon session.

All absences are recorded using a specific attendance code depending on the reason provided.

Types of Absence:

✓ Authorised Absence

These absences are approved by the school when a valid reason is provided.

Examples include:

- Illness preventing attendance
- Medical or dental appointments (with evidence)
- Religious observance (with prior notice)
- Bereavement of a close family member

Religious absence requests should be submitted via the absence request form or by emailing: admin@lancs-pri.haringey.sch.uk

✗ Unauthorised Absence

These absences are not approved by the school.

Examples include:

- Parent or family member illness
- Inadequate clothing for school
- Transport problems
- Non-urgent medical treatment
- School refusal or truancy
- Birthdays, shopping trips or family holidays

The school may review and change an absence classification if new information becomes available.

Please Remember:

Legal Requirements

If a pupil is absent for 10 consecutive days without explanation:

- The Haringey Education Welfare Service will be notified.
- Children's Services may visit the last known address if contact cannot be made.

Please ensure the school always has up-to-date contact details.

Persistent Absence

The government defines persistent absence as attendance below 90% (missing 10% of the school year, approximately 3 weeks of learning).

★ Let's work together to ensure every child attends regularly and doesn't miss out on valuable learning opportunities.



Nursery Attendance Reminder

Funded Places (15 & 30 Hours)

We would like to remind parents that nursery places funded through the 15-hour or 30-hour Early Education entitlement are provided to support children who attend their allocated sessions regularly.

Why is it important?

Regular attendance is very important as it helps children:

- Settle into nursery routines
- Build friendships
- Benefit fully from their early learning experiences

Important Information

If a child with a funded place is regularly absent or does not attend their allocated sessions, the school may need to review the place.

In some circumstances, if attendance does not improve and we have not been informed of the reason for absence, the funded place may be withdrawn and offered to another child on the waiting list.

Let Us Know

If your child is unable to attend nursery for any reason, please inform the school office as soon as possible.

If you are experiencing any difficulties that are affecting attendance, please speak to us. We are always happy to offer support where we can.



Evidence for Illness & Medical Absences



GP Appointments

- Please ask your GP for an appointment card showing the date and time of the appointment.
- A letter addressed to the school is not required.
- If the practice initially says they cannot provide this, politely explain that the school requires confirmation to authorise the absence.



Hospital Appointments

- Please bring or email a copy of your hospital booking letter.
- The letter should clearly show the date and time of the appointment.



A&E Visits

- Please request an attendance card from A&E (these are usually provided).
- If this is not available, you may request:
 - Discharge notes, or
 - A copy of the letter sent to your GP.
- If you are unable to obtain this at the hospital, you may contact your GP a few days later and request a copy of the letter they received from A&E.



Should I Keep My Child Off School?

If your child is unable to attend school, please inform the school office as soon as possible.

- Phone: 0208 808 8088
- Email: admin@lancs-pri.haringey.sch.uk
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This helps us ensure that all pupils are accounted for and that attendance records are accurate.

UK Health Security Agency **NHS**

Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

	Until...
Childhood	at least 48h from the onset of the rash and until all lesions have crusted over
Diarrhoea and vomiting	at least 48h after their last episode
Cold and flu like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. See the national guidance for COVID-19 for further guidance
Measles	7 days after the rash has appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling around the neck has subsided
Scarlet fever	at least 48h after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea
Whooping cough	at least 48h after the last episode of coughing

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Head, run and cough	At least 24h
Head lice	until treated
Headaches	at least 24h

SCAN HERE

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or visit the Q&A page or visit <https://gov.uk/nhs.uk>



48 Hour Rule

If your child has experienced vomiting or diarrhoea, they must remain at home for **48 hours** after the symptoms have stopped before returning to school.

This policy helps prevent illness from spreading and keeps our school community healthy.

Diarrhoea and vomiting in children

There's no specific cure for stomach bugs such as **Norovirus**. See tips to reduce the spread and ease symptoms.

Keep children home for at least for

48 HOURS

after symptoms have passed. This is enough time to let the virus pass its course.

If your child already has a serious illness, or symptoms last longer than a few days, see your GP to seek advice.

[Visit nhs.uk/norovirus](https://www.nhs.uk/norovirus)

Washing hands frequently and thoroughly helps limit the spread of the virus.

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different strains of Norovirus are known to affect humans. They're the most common cause of stomach bugs in the UK.

Home Treatment

Prevent the virus from spreading by washing hands thoroughly with soap and water.

One litre of water or one litre of oral rehydration solution.

3 days. Still feels like eating other than usual meals.

Contact Us:

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