

# CHILDHOOD CANCER : THE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS



**L**oss of weight, sickness or nausea

**A**pppearance: your child looks pale or has a swollen tummy

**D**iscomfort: pain (anywhere) that is persistent, or a new limp

**You are concerned**  
(Very important)

**B**leeding, excess bruising, or blood in the urine

**S**welling or a lump that is persistent

**D**isturbances in vision, a new squint, headaches or an unusual white appearance of pupils (eyes) in photos

**R**ecurrent high temperatures or night sweats



**I**rritability or constant exhaustion

Think: **L A D Y B I R D S**

If your child has any of these symptoms or **YOU ARE WORRIED**, please get them reviewed by the GP. Most of the time, the cause of these symptoms will not be cancer. If it is cancer however, **early diagnosis can save lives.**

# Grace Kelly Childhood Cancer Trust

because the children of today all deserve a tomorrow

Childhood cancer is not quite as rare as we think.

It is the biggest medical cause of death of children in the UK.

1 in 500 children develop cancer by their 14th birthday.

4,000 children and young people are diagnosed with cancer every year.

The **Grace Kelly Childhood Cancer Trust** was set up in memory of four year old

Grace Kelly who passed away from a malignant rhabdoid tumour in 2014.

The trust is working to raise awareness of cancer in children and young people amongst clinicians, parents and carers. Our awareness cards are designed to aid earlier identification of childhood cancers to help save lives.

Please have a look at our additional information summaries, articles and links to educational modules for clinicians at [www.gkcct.org](http://www.gkcct.org)