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Stay away, GPs tell patients

A GP surgery in Ripley, Derbyshire, has written an open letter to patients asking them not to overwhelm services.

The plea came after the number of appointments made in England jumped by 4.8 million in March, a rise of 20 per cent on the previous month. The March total is the highest figure since October 2019.

Ivy Grove surgery told patients that continued pressure could lead "to unsafe working practice, burnout and mistakes".

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The national tutoring programme set up to help children cope after lockdown disruption is reaching only 1 per cent of pupils, according to figures released.

Analysis by the Labour Party found that only 93,000 across England had started to receive tutoring. The National Association of Head Teachers said the centralised scheme was too restrictive with schools struggling to access tutors recognised by the programme.