

The Staploe Medical Centre – News Summer 2015



Doctors

Dr Gordon Irvine has moved to the Cathedral Medical Centre on a full-time basis.

Dr Jennifer Claydon (soon to marry and become Dr Belal) joins the Practice on 12 August and

Dr Sara Bastiani joins the Practice on 24 August. Dr Belal and Dr Bastiani will job share Dr Irvine's patient list.

Nursing Team – Marie Rouse is no longer at the Practice. We have recruited **Sandra Brown**, who is working in the Research team, and **Gillie Green**, who has joined us as Nurse Practitioner.

SystemOnline – is available for anyone over 16 years of age. This will enable you to book appointments online and order repeat prescriptions. Forms are available at the main Reception Desk. You will need to bring documents of identification, including photo ID – full details are available from Reception.

Medication – There are a number of ways that you can help to reduce the issue of wasted medicines:-

Only order the medicines that you need - Please let your GP or Pharmacist know if you've stopped taking any of your medicines; check what medicines you still have at home before re-ordering; think carefully before ticking all the boxes on your repeat prescription forms and only tick those you really need. If you need to go into hospital please remember to take all your medicines with you in a clearly marked bag. Please also remember that your medicines are prescribed only for you. It is not safe to share them with anyone else.

Remember that unused medicines cannot be recycled – Even if you never open them, once medicines have left the Pharmacy, they cannot be recycled or used by anyone else. Please bring your unused medicines to the Pharmacy for safe disposal. NEVER dispose of your unused or unwanted medicines down the toilet. Sharps and needles should always be returned in a sealed sharpsguard container.

Unused medicines are a safety risk – Return out of date medicines to your Pharmacy or Dispensary for safe disposal. If your medicines change, return your old medicines to the Pharmacy for safe disposal to avoid mixing them up with your new medicines. Don't stockpile medication – it is a safety risk for children and others who might take them. Store medicines in an appropriate place out of reach of children.

Deliveries of Medications to the Villages – Are available for people aged 60 and over. We deliver to the Co-op, Isleham on Monday & Thursday afternoons; Fordham Butchers – Tuesday and Friday afternoons; and Chippenham (delivery address will be given on request by the Dispensary) on Monday afternoons. Repeats can also be ordered the same way.

Overflow Car Park – Reminder that we now have the old pharmacy (59 Brewhouse Lane) car park set out as an overflow car park.