

At the end of June 2019, we say a sad farewell to

Dr Martyn Hewett

Dr Hewett will be leaving the Practice after almost 30 years and has been an invaluable GP to many patients, an amazing partner and an inspirational leader to many members of staff.

As many patients are aware he works with Health Education England as the Associate Post Graduate Dean and will be continuing in this role.

He supports doctors returning to practice after a break and supports doctors who have encountered problems in their professional work.

We shall all miss him and his dedication to the practice, he has been a valuable team member, having been a GP trainer since 1993 supporting 30 doctors on placement, he has worked at the local hospital, with the health authority and even managed to successfully complete a masters degree during his career here.

We wish him and his family all the very best of health and happiness for the future.

If you would like to leave him a farewell message, please visit the reception desk before Friday 5th July at St Peters Road site and add your message to his book of memories.



Congratulations to

Dr Jo Sinclair who completes her GP training in July 2019.

You may still see Jo at the surgery over the summer months as she stays on to cover some locum sessions with us.

We welcome

Dr Julian Nesbitt and

Dr Arooj Talib as GP registrars

Terry Ranger and Catharina Canestra both join our busy reception teams

Sarah Bull, our Lead Practice Nurse had a beautiful baby boy in February—both are doing very well.

You may meet Rebecca, practice nursing or Denise in a minor illness clinic, they are both covering the maternity leave nursing sessions until next year.

The NHS App

With the NHS App you can:

- check your symptoms – find reliable NHS information on hundreds of [conditions and treatments](#), and get immediate advice
- book appointments – search for, book and cancel appointments at your GP surgery
- order repeat prescriptions – see your available medications and request a new repeat prescription
- view your medical record – get secure access to your GP medical record
- register to be an organ donor – easily manage your preferences on the [NHS Organ Donor Register](#)
- choose how the NHS uses your data – register your decision on whether it can be used for research and planning

How do I access it?

The NHS App is free to download from the App Store and Google Play and is available from July 2019



We are currently working on a new website and hope this will be available from the Autumn 2019.

The website will be far more interactive and you will be able to:

- deal with many issues, questions and common conditions yourself
- be directed to another more appropriate health provider, or
- if patients do require more help, you will be directed to an online request facility that is forwarded to either the Practice or the appropriate health provider.

Since the merger, we have been busy working on a new appointment system.

We will share the details of any changes as they are finalised.

Do you need to have any travel vaccinations before your next holiday?

We receive many requests from patients and need 6 to 8 weeks before your planned travel date to process your travel questionnaire and plan for any vaccines you might require.

We are a registered yellow fever centre and are able to supply all your travel vaccinations before you board that plane!

There may be a private charge as many travel vaccinations are not covered by the NHS.

Our travel clinics are being held at St Peters Road site by our practice travel nurse.

Please be aware that local pharmacists also offer a travel vaccination service.

