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Practice Team Doctors Dr Jeremy Pawley Dr Simon Hill Dr Samantha Cooke Dr Katy Gines

Nurses - Alison, Hollie, Liz **HCA** – Keriann and Georgie Phlebotomist - Natalie Clinical Pharmacist – Sofia, Germaine Advanced Nurse Practitioner - Tracy Advanced Clinical Practitioner – Suzi Care Co-ordinator - Maddie Lawson

Practice Manager – Angela Maile Assistant Practice Manager – Clare McDuff Dispensary - Janice, Lesley, Debbie Caroline Diane, Alison, Yvonne, and Wendy Reception - Alison, Anne, Beth, Emma Jayne, Jane, Jo, Lesley, Natasha, Jo, Louise Dawn and Julia

Normal Opening Hours

Monday to Friday 8:30am - 6:30pm Surgery Monday to Friday 8:30am – 6:30pm (closed for lunch between 1pm – 2pm) Dispensary If you need a doctor when the surgery is closed, please contact 111, or in an emergency contact 999.

Telephone lines are open from 8am but are always busy so please call later if you can. For test results please call between 1pm – 2pm or after 5pm Dispensary phone lines are open from 12pm – 1pm and 4:30pm – 5:30pm.

Dispensary Email Address if you need to order medication; hwicb.dispensary.bredon.hill.surgery@nhs.net Surgery Email Address; hwicb.bredonhillsurgery@nhs.net

Click on the link - About the NHS App - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

Surgery Staff News

Unfortunately, Dr Katy Gines is currently on prolonged sick leave, Dr Taiwo Tanimowo will be joining us from April to provide cover for Dr Gines patients. She will be working Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday's.

We say goodbye to Ruth Gibney (Receptionist) who retires on the 13^{th of} March 2024. We wish her all the very best for the future. We will be welcoming a new receptionist to the team Julia Witt, who will join us on the 3rd April.

MARCH - PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

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You may not experience any symptoms in the early stage of prostate cancer. It is only when the cancer is large enough to press on the tube that carries the urine from the bladder (urethra) that symptoms can occur. These can include:

- needing to pee more often than usual, especially at night.
- difficulty peeing for example, a weak flow or having to strain to start peeing.
- feeling like you have not completely emptied your bladder.

Sometimes the symptoms of benign (non-cancerous) prostate conditions and prostate

cancer is similar. If you have any prostate cancer symptoms, it is important to have them checked by your doctor.

Your GP can do tests to find out if you need a referral to a specialist doctor.

Click on the link - Prostate cancer awareness month | Macmillan Cancer Support



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Minor ailments. Bites and stings. Hangovers. Coughs. Colds. Upset stomach. Medication advice. Bruises and grazes. Small cuts. Use the right **NHS** service Minor Injury Unit **NHS 111** at the right Breaks and sprains. Minor burns and Feeling unwell? Need medical wound infections. Cuts and grazes. advice? No GP to call? time A&E or 999 GP advice Choking. Severe chest pain. Breathing Persistent symptoms. Chronic difficulties. Blood loss. Stroke. Sepsis. pain. Long-term conditions. 1. Pick a quit date and add it to your calendar. NHS Better Health 2. List your reasons to guit. Let's do this 3. Use stop smoking aids to help manage cravings. SMOK

- 4. You'll have more money for other things.
- https://www.nhs.uk/better-health/

NHS 'Help Us, Help You'- Pharmacy Campaign Think pharmacy first – Treating.

- Earache, Insect bite/stings, Colds congestion
- Eye conjunctivitis, dry/sore tired eyes, red eye
- Gastric diarrhea, constipation, infant colic
- Gynae cystitis, thrush. UTI's •
- Pain acute pain, ankle or foot, hip or pain swelling, knee, or leg pain
- Skin athletes' foot, blisters, dermatitis, dry skin, and hair loss
- Mouth/Throat Cold sores, flu like symptoms, hoarseness. Swelling lower limb, foot, ankle

Patient Participation Group Meeting – the date of the next meeting to be confirmed.

This is an open meeting, but due to limited spaces we appreciate knowing who is planning to attend in advance.

The PPG is a group of volunteer patients, carers, the practice manager and one or more of the GPs from the practice. A PPG is open to every patient on the GP practice list. All communities, groups, genders, ages, ethnicities, and disabilities representing the patient list are encouraged to join. There are no other membership requirements except that patients must be registered at the practice.

Why should I join: -

- You have been to the surgery as a patient, parent, or carer.
- You would like to support the surgery in offering the best patient care.
- You will also gain a better understanding of the NHS and gather feedback from other patients.

If you would be interested in learning more, do please contact our Chair jschroder@btinternet.com or Deputy Chair

faith.hallett1@gmail.com. We will be delighted to hear from you.

DEFIBRILLATOR LOCATIONS		
Bredon Hill	Westmancote	Eckington
Outside the Village Hall	Outside the Cricket Club	Eckington Parish Hall
Outside Drapers Shop	In the old telephone kiosk by the junction	Eckington Recreation Ground
In the old telephone kiosk at Queensmead		
Kinsham	Bredons Norton	Bredons Hardwick
In the old telephone kiosk on the main road	Outside the Village Hall	Outside the Cross Keys Pub

Useful Links on our Surgery Website:

https://www.bredonsurgery.nhs.uk/health-information/prescription-dispensary-information/ https://www.bredonsurgery.nhs.uk/health-information/carers/



Self-care

Pharmacy