



# Kildonan House

medical practice

## Practice Newsletter

### Cervical Screening

#### What is cervical screening and why is it important?

Cervical screening is a screening tool to check the cervix and screen for cervical cancer.

When completing cervical screening the nurse will use a speculum and cervical brush to take a sample from your cervix. This is firstly to check for the virus HPV and secondly review the cells taken, this is to make sure if there are any changes to these cells they are addressed quickly.

At Kildonan House we are completing a smear campaign and have a large number of Patients who do not attend DNA's. The Nurses who complete these Smears do this every day and will try to put you at ease as we understand the embarrassment, worry and anxiety women feel! We want every woman to feel comfortable and

secure at their appointment so please feel free to ask questions, to bring a person of support with you if that is what is needed

For further information you can find lots of information and guidance from Jo's cervical cancer trust [www.jostrust.org.uk](http://www.jostrust.org.uk)



### Measles Mumps and Rubella Vaccine

The UK has Seen Measles Cases rising with twice as many cases being diagnosed in the first half of 2023 the Government have decided to complete a Catch up Campaign to try and catch all children who may not have had 2 MMR Vaccines. At the surgery we are actively contacting patients who are eligible For MMR vaccines. If you are worried your child has not had two MMR vaccines please do not hesitate to contact the surgery for advice. We have late night and early morning appointments for immunisations.

### Changes to our telephone line

Over the next few weeks our telephone line will be changing, when you contact the practice, if we are busy you will be allocated a queue position number. We feel that this option may improve your experience when ringing the surgery. We will be able to monitor and review the call queue.

### Prescription ordering

We have set up a prescription ordering line 01204 462120, this is to reduce calls to the practice line.

#### Christmas and New Year Opening times

25.12.2023	Closed
26.12.2023	Closed
27.12.2023	Open 08:00-20:00
28.12.2023	Open 08:00-20:00
29.12.2023	Open 08:00-18:30
30.12.2023	Open 09:00-1200
1.1.2024	Closed
2.1.2024	Open 08:00-20:00

## Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Prosperous New Year