

# Hawkley Brook Medical Practice Spring Newsletter

### **Junior Doctor Industrial Action**

Our GP trainees, along with other junior doctors, are taking industrial action over 11th-14th April 2023.

As a practice, we support their right to strike for better pay and working conditions. Our trainees are the GPs of the future and the future of General Practice is in danger if workload continues to increase without investment in the NHS.

As our GP trainees are not in the practice for the week after Easter, we have far fewer appointments available than normal so you may be redirected elsewhere if it is safe to do so.

Thank you for your support and we're sorry for any inconvenience. Please remember pharmacies and NHS 111 are open as usual and can help treat many minor conditions.



## **Good Employment Charter**

We are proud to annouce that we have become the first health and social care organisation to commit to the Greater Manchester Good Employment Charter.



This means we have made a commitment to provide secure, flexible and well paid work to all of our employees.

#### What you said

The waiting area didn't have anything to help entertain children while you wait for an appointment

#### What we did

We now have a selection of children's books to read while you wait- any donations of books that are in good condition but no longer used would be welcome.

## **GP** appointments

Since the introduction of Ask My GP during covid, many of our patients find it easier to request a GP appointment online- to do this go to our website and click the AskMyGP banner on our homepage.

Using AskMyGP means our doctors can respond to you in real time and frees up our phone lines for prescription requests and other queries. However, for anybody who is unable to use the internet you can still call the practice in the usual way and a member of our reception team will put your request through to the GP.

