



NEWSLETTER

Redditch Kingfisher PCN Winter Edition



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Welcome to the Winter Edition of the Redditch Kingfisher PCN Newsletter!



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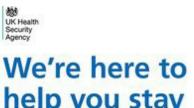
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Winter Is Here - Stay Warm, Stay Well

As the colder months arrive, it's important to take small steps to stay healthy and comfortable. Winter can challenge our energy and immune systems, so keeping warm, eating nutritious meals, and staying active are key. Experts recommend layering your clothing, drinking plenty of water, and getting some sunlight each day to boost mood and vitamin D levels.

At work and at home, simple habits make a big difference a short walk, a balanced lunch, and regular breaks help maintain focus and wellbeing. And don't forget kindness: a warm smile or small act of support can go a long way during the darker days.

Let's make this winter a season of care. connection, and good health.

66.8 million prescriptions ordered





Getting in touch with **St Stephens Medical Partnership** has become easier:





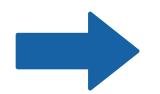




You don't have to join the morning rush to reach your GP.

There are quick and easy ways to get in touch, and get the care you need.

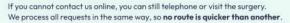
- Choose the recommended routes below to avoid queues.
- However you contact us, a healthcare professional will assess your request in the same way, as soon as possible.
- · Our aim is to give everyone fair and equal access to care.



Visit our website

Get in touch via our surgery's website. It's fast, secure and your request is delivered straight to our team.









Download the NHS App to better manage your care



Avoid the Morning Rush - Reach Your GP the Easy Way!

You don't need to wait on the phone or queue at the surgery. Our GP practice website makes it quick and easy to get in touch and manage your care.

Whether you contact us online or in person, your request will be reviewed by a healthcare professional as soon as possible giving everyone fair and equal access to care.

- → Visit https://www.ststephenssurgery.co.uk/ and submit your request anytime using our online form.
- Call or visit if you can't access online services.



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Join the thousands of people who are quitting smoking.



Download the free **NHS Quit Smoking** app to get started.







Check if you are eligible with your GP practice

• 65 or over • immunocompromised • or have a chronic respiratory, heart, kidney or liver disease

you're eligible for a FREE pneumococcal vaccination.

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Book now at your GP practice.





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Act on Energy is a free, impartial energy advice charity helping residents across Worcestershire. With over 25 years' experience, our energy experts are here to support you with reducing your energy bills, understanding new technology, and accessing funding for winter energy support or energy efficiency upgrades.

You can call Act on Energy for free on 0800 988 2881 or check out the information on our website at www.actonenergy.org.uk

Careline Careline providing support for unpaid carers

Carers Careline was established in March 1988.

Our aim is to promote the health, mental and emotional wellbeing of adult carers, especially the elderly, in the local community through the identification of hidden carers, early intervention, preventative action and pastoral care.

Tel: 01527 66177

info@carerscareline.co.uk www.carerscareline.co.uk



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Citizens Advice Bromsgrove & Redditch

If you need free, impartial and confidential help with benefits, debt and money, housing, work or other issues, you can speak to us at one of our drop ins listed below:

Every Wednesday 9:30 - 13:30, The Old Needle Works, Britten Street, B97 6HD Every Thursday 14:00 - 16:30, Family Hub, Holly Trees Children's Centre, Mabey Ave, B98 8HW

Every last Monday of a month, 11:00 - 13:00, Redditch Library, 15 Market Pl, B98 8AR

Every 1st and 3rd Monday of a month, 10:00 -13:00, Arrow Valley Boathouse Café, Battens Dr, B98 OLJ

Every last Friday of a month, 10:00 - 12:00, Sandycroft Centre, West Ave, B98 7DH

Every 1st Thursday of a month, 09:00 - 12:00, Inspire, Winyates Barn Community Centre, Winyates Way, B98 ONR



Patients Participation Group Meeting (PPG)



Friendly faces, great conversations, real impact come along to our next PPG meeting!

You can apply for PPG newsletters to be mailed straight to your inbox.

Your Input Matters!

Scan the QR Code and email us at hwicb.kingfisher.ppg@nhs.net









Some feedback:

"Everyone should give it a try like I did."

"I think PPG truly represents consistency, collaboration, and commitment."

"Being a PPG member gives me the opportunity to ask questions, raise issues of concern and share information."

"Good communication they gave us updates on new services and how patient feedback shaped them." "It's a great way to meet new people and connect with others who care about patient wellbeing."

"I joined to give feedback about something that didn't work for me and instead of being ignored, the staff invited me to help improve it. That felt amazing."

"Joining the PPG helped me understand how much effort goes into running the practice." "This meeting is very important for the development of better understanding between a GP and a Patient."

"Sometimes, just showing up and listening makes a difference."

"I've learned a lot from joining."

"The atmosphere and the tone of the meetings is first class and, I believe, encourages helpful, informative and respectful discussion from all parties."

"I was asked to join some years ago.

It's nice to hear about what's happening in my local area. A number of useful connections have been made within the group and people who attend to speak."

DIFFERENT DRIVES, SAME DIRECTION.
THE NEXT FEEDBACK CAN BE YOURS.





Free and fun gentle exercise and social groups in Redditch

- Sandycroft Centre: Sandycroft West Avenue, Redditch B98 7DH - Tuesdays - 10am to midday
- Abbeydale Community Club: Woodfield Cl, Redditch B98 8JE - Wednesdays - 10am to midday
- Woodrow Community centre: 35 Woodrow Center, Redditch, Uk B98 7RY - Thursdays - 10am to midday
- Willow Tree Community Centre: Loxley Cl, Redditch B98 9JG -Fridays - 10am to midday
- Redditch Borough Football Club: Cherry Tree Walk, B97 6PB - Saturdays - 10am to 11am

Call or email for more information and book, or turn up on the day.

01905 928185 / 0800 772 0307 HealthyWorcestershire.org.uk Healthy.Worcestershire@nhs.net

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Free cricket sessions!

Make new friends!

All disabilities welcome | Ages 12-25

Every Wednesday from 5.30 - 6.30pm Heart of Worcestershire College, Peakman Street, Redditch B97 8DW For more information and to register your interest, contact: Hannah Pettigrew on 07741 272 502

or at Hannah.Pettigrew@wccc.co.uk or visit www.lordstaverners.org

LORD'S TAVERNERS



GIRLS ONLY INDOOR CRICKET

COMMUNITY CRICKET SESSIONS PLAYED WITH A SOFTBALL ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED, NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

THURSDAYS 5 - 6PM TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL GROVE SREET, REDDITCH,

WANT MORE INFORMATION? SCAN HERE





B98 8DS

For more information contact: jamie.watson@worcestershirecricketfoundation.co.uk 07376 534926



MS Support Group

At the Arrow Valley Visitor Centre, Battens Dr. Redditch, B98 0LJ

10am - 12pm on the Wednesdays below:

13th November 11th December



Contact Lynn Murray at lynn.44murray@gmail.com or on 07977 819546









Here's a quick heads-up on some important awareness days coming up in the next three months:

December

- → World AIDS Day 1 December
- National Grief Awareness Week 2-8 December
- Christmas Jumper Day 11 December
- Festival of Winter Walks 20 December
- → Decembeard 1-31 December

January

- -> Dry January whole month of January
- → World Braille Day 4th January
- → Cervical Cancer Prevention Week 15-21 January
- → Love Your Liver Month whole month of January
- → World Neglected Tropical Diseases Day 30 January

February

- → Time to Talk Day 1 February
- → World Cancer Day 4 February
- → International Day of Women and Girls in Science 11 February
- → National Heart Month whole month of January
- → Rare Disease Day 28-29 February

Kingfisher Primary Care Network wishes you a happy and healthy winter.