

BANK HOLIDAY CLOSURES

The Practice will be closed on:

Good Friday – 10th April

Easter Monday – 13 April

SHOULD YOU NEED URGENT HEALTH CARE DURING THIS TIME, PLEASE CONTACT SHROPDOG ON: **111**

IT INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE AT MUCH WENLOCK

On **Friday 17 April** Much Wenlock Practice will be closed to allow for essential work to be carried out on the practice IT network infrastructure. All services on that day will be moved to the Cressage Practice. Please be aware that all patient telephone calls/queries will be dealt with by staff at Cressage Practice. Staff will be dealing with calls and queries as quickly and efficiently as possible. We thank you in advance for your patience and apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

MINOR ILLNESS CLINICS

The Minor Illness Clinic is for patients of any age. Nurse Cherrilee Stewart is the Practice Minor Illness Nurse who has extensive experience in assessing and treating minor illnesses.

Minor Illness Clinics are run by Cherrilee Stewart at Cressage from 8.30 to 10.45 am on a Tuesday morning and 8.30 to 10.45 am at Much Wenlock on a Wednesday and Friday morning.

If the Nurse considers you require a doctor's opinion you will be referred directly to a GP.

If you have one of the following symptoms please ask for an appointment in the Minor Illness Clinic:

- Coughs and Colds
- Earache
- Hayfever
- Headaches
- Sore eyes
- Insect bites and stings
- Rashes
- Sore throat
- Urine Infections
- Vaginal discharge
- Swollen joints
- Emergency contraception

If you wish to be seen in the minor illness clinic, contact the Practice on 01952 726011 and speak to a member of the Reception team.

CORONAVIRUS

Symptoms of coronavirus

The symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a cough
- a high temperature
- shortness of breath

But these symptoms do not necessarily mean you have the illness.

The symptoms are similar to other illnesses that are much more common, such as cold and flu.

If you think you might have Coronavirus: **DO NOT ATTEND THE SURGERY.** Stay at home, go online and visit <https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19> to access the Coronavirus symptom checker or call 111.

How coronavirus is spread

Because it's a new illness, we do not know exactly how coronavirus spreads from person to person.

Similar viruses are spread in cough droplets.

It's very unlikely it can be spread through things like packages or food. Viruses like coronavirus cannot live outside the body for very long.

For the latest information about the Coronavirus (including the list of countries) please visit: www.gov.uk/coronavirus

STAFF UPDATE

In March we said goodbye to Nurse Cathy Chambers, Cathy has worked at the Practice for 7 years and was a valued member of the Practice team who will be missed by patients and colleagues. We wish her all the best on her future ventures.

From the 1st May Dr Hay will be reducing her hours within the Practice but will continue to work on a Monday and Tuesday.