

MAYFORD HOUSE SURGERY NEWSLETTER

Autumn 2013



NEW COMPUTER SYSTEM

We would like to thank everybody for their patience while we get to grips with our new computer system. This has now been running for some weeks and we are finally getting there.

Could we remind patients who previously used the online appointments and medication ordering system that they will need to re-register with our new system to continue this service. Just ask at Reception.

NEW STAFF

Welcome to **Dr Andrew Parker** who joined us on 1st July as a new full time permanent partner.

Dr Elisabeth McCully, FY2 Doctor, will be with us until November.

Our new Health Care Assistant is **Johanne Hodgson** who joined us in June.

MINOR ILLNESSES CLINIC

This will be held on a Tuesday morning from 10th September with the Nurse. Patients can request an appointment or will be directed to this clinic if appropriate. It is for minor illnesses only, not for dressings or blood tests.

MEDICATION DELIVERY SERVICE FOR BROMPTON PATIENTS

We are proposing to begin delivery of medications, initially to Brompton, on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning 1st October. If you would like to know more about this please ask at the Dispensary.

VACCINATIONS

FLU CLINICS

- **Adults** – people aged 65 and over, under 65s with specific clinical conditions, pregnant women, healthcare workers with direct patient care. Starting late September/October.
- **Children** - an annual flu vaccine for children will be available on the NHS from September 1 2013 for all two and three year olds. It's given as a nasal spray and will be offered to children with a date of birth on or after September 2nd 2009 and on or before September 1st 2011. Children between the ages of two and 18 who are at extra risk from flu because they have a long-term health condition, such as diabetes, heart or lung disease, will also have the annual flu nasal spray instead of the annual flu jab, which they were previously given. Children at extra risk between the ages of six months and two years will continue to receive the annual flu jab.

Shingles Vaccination – this is a new recommendation for all patients who will be aged 70 or 79 between 1st September 2013 and 31 August 2014. Please make an appointment. Starting 1st September 2013.

Rotavirus Vaccination – this is available now. A dose is given at two months and 3 months when attending for first and second routine childhood immunisations.