

St Margaret's NEWS

March 2016



Cut Medicine Waste

With our new prescription ordering system starting this month help us to cut medicine waste. If you don't need a medicine, please don't order it! If you need the medicine in the future you can still request it. Please think carefully before ticking all the boxes on your repeat form.



A report by the Department of Health estimates that unused medicines cost the NHS £300 million every year with an estimated £110 million worth of medicines returned to pharmacies, £90 million worth of unused prescriptions being stored in homes and £50 million worth of medicines being disposed of by care homes.



In December we prescribed **11,727** items at our surgery at a cost of **£111,230.66**

We are going **'live'** for Electronic Prescribing Tuesday **8th** March. All you will need to do is pop into your preferred pharmacy and sign up with them.



Paper prescriptions go electronic



This practice is starting to send prescriptions electronically.

Pick up a leaflet from reception to find out how this could save you time.

Electronic Prescription Service

A more convenient way to get your prescription

www.hscic.gov.uk

For more information visit www.hscic.gov.uk/epspatients



Are you caring for someone?

Solihull Carers Centre offers free and confidential help and support to all unpaid carers.

For more information please call on
0121 788 1143
Or Email:
centre@solihullcarers.org



Supporting both Adult and Young Carers



Dates for your diary...

Thursday **17th March**. The surgery will be **closing at 1pm** and reopen as normal on Friday 18th 8.30am. The doctors will be attending a Protected Learning training session organised by Solihull CCG.

Easter Closing..

Friday **25th March** **CLOSED**
Monday **28th March** **CLOSED**
Reopen Tuesday 29th March 8.30am

