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Summer Newsletter (July 2026)



Practice Hours (Appointments from 8.30am)

Monday	8.00am to 6.30pm
Tuesday	8.00am to 6.30pm
Wednesday	8.00am to 6.30pm
Thursday	8.00am to 6.30pm
Friday	8.00am to 6.30pm

New Staff

Please welcome Joanna, Claire and Sarah to our Reception team

Friends and Family Results 2026 – Patients would recommend our Surgery to Friends and Family

January 95%	February 94%	March 98%	April 97%	May 98%	June 96%
July 97%	August	September	October	November	December

DNA Audit (patients who do not attend their appointment)

January 101	February 81	March 99	April 86	May 82	June 89
July 99	August	September	October	November	December

Patient Participation Group (PPG)

We have an active Patient Group, ensuring that our patients are involved in decisions about the services provided by the practice.

Further information about our PPG is available on our website:

www.hawthorns-surgery.nhs.uk

Screening

Cervical Screening

Cervical screening, which used to be called a smear test, is a test to check the health of the cervix and help prevent cervical cancer. It is offered to women and people with a cervix aged 25 to 64.

When you get your invite please call the Surgery and book this appointment.

Breast Screening

Anyone registered with a GP as female will be invited for NHS breast screening every 3 years between the ages of 50 and 71. You will get a letter in the post inviting you.

If you are a trans man, trans woman or are non-binary you may be invited automatically, or you may need to talk to a member of the team for the local breast screening service to ask for an appointment.

Bowel Screening

NHS bowel cancer screening checks if you could have bowel cancer. Everyone aged 60 to 74 years who are registered with a GP and lives in England is automatically sent an NHS bowel cancer screening kit every 2 years.

The home test kit, called a faecal immunochemical test (FIT), is used to collect a small sample of poo and is then sent to a lab. This is checked for tiny amounts of blood.

Blood can be a sign of polyps or bowel cancer. Polyps are growths in the bowel. They are not cancer, but may turn into cancer over time.

Did you know Bowel cancer is the 3rd most common type of cancer.

Don't delay use your test kit today!

Travel Vaccinations

If you are planning to travel outside the UK, the Surgery can help with travel advice and information about vaccines for travel

You must request travel advice at least 8 weeks before your departure date.

This is because some vaccines:

- need to be given in advance to let your body develop immunity
- involve a number of doses over weeks or months

The NHS is only able to provide specific vaccinations to its NHS patients for travel. These include:

- Cholera
- Hepatitis A
- Typhoid
- Polio

Childhood Immunisations

NHS vaccinations and when to have them

It's important that vaccines are given on time for the best protection, but if you or your child missed a vaccine, contact your GP to catch up.

NHS vaccination schedule

Key Vaccination Milestones

8, 12, & 16 Weeks: The 6-in-1, MenB, and rotavirus vaccines are administered in doses at these intervals. A pneumococcal (PCV) booster is also added at 16 weeks.

1 Year (First Birthday): The first MMRV dose, alongside boosters for PCV and MenB, is administered.

18 Months & 3 Years 4 Months: Follow-up doses, including the 4-in-1 pre-school booster and a second MMRV dose, are given to ensure continued protection.

If you receive a text message from the surgery concerning your child's vaccines, please contact the Surgery and book to have these done.