GREYSTOKE GAZETTE

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Kayleigh Angus

We are delighted to have a new Advanced Nurse Practitioner, Kayleigh Angus join the practice...here she is to introduce herself...

I was fortunate enough to be offered a job working for Greystoke early in 2020 and joined the team mid Covid pandemic.

I have previously worked in primary care in Alnwick and before that worked in community based minor injuries unit. My passions in nursing include elderly medicine and respiratory diseases, I enjoy seeing people in their own homes and environments and feel immense job satisfaction at knowing I am part of a team who deliver amazing holistic care to all of our patients.

I enjoy being outdoors and meeting new people along with walks with my dog in the countryside and socialising with friends and family, (obviously this is not happening at the moment).



Stay safe and remember at the end of every storm there is a rainbow.

If you have or know someone who has a learning disability...

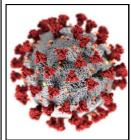
There is a new resource designed for people living with learning disability. The 'Learning Disability Matters for Families' WebApp gives parents, carers & families, straightforward, pragmatic, and realistic information that is aimed to help them day to day, know where to go for further help and understand what they are entitled to. Further details are available on the links below.



Website: www.learningdisabilitymatters.co.uk

Facebook: learningdisabilitymatters

What's happening at Greystoke Surgery during the Covid19 outbreak?



It is safe to say that the staff at Greystoke Surgery never thought that 12 months ago, we would be in the situation that we find ourselves in now. The Covid 19 pandemic has resulted in unprecedented times and has changed the face of General Practice as we see it, perhaps for a long time to come, perhaps permanently. As we were entering lockdown, we were going through significant changes in the practice. Our senior partner had retired, we were inducting a new partner as well as a new advanced nurse practitioner.

We would like to extend our gratitude to all our patients who have been so patient and understanding given the enormous changes and challenges that we have all faced. When we qualified as health care professionals, we all signed up with the intention that patients have the autonomy to make an appointment and could be seen by their doctor without fear but sadly, the Coronavirus has taken that away from us. Our ability to be in close proximity with one another. The touch of a health care worker showing compassion. However, what Coronavirus can not do, is it can not take away our ability to care for, our commitment to and our compassion for our patients. That is something that will never be taken away from us.





The next few months will carry huge levels of uncertainty. At this time it is not clear how exactly lockdown will be eased and how healthcare services will be affected by this. A lot of routine work that we have been doing has been on hold and we will deal with this as best as we can as the lockdown eases. We will continue to operate a full service, but may have to continue seeing all patients in personal protective equipment until instructed by the department of health. A few requests if we may...

PLEASE phone us if you feel you need medical attention **PLEASE** be patient with us if we are busy, we are doing the best we can

PLEASE treat all staff and key workers with respect PLEASE order your prescriptions in plenty of time And above all...

PLEASE look after yourselves and stay safe

PLEASE wear a face covering if you are asked to attend

A face to face appointment, or need to come into the surgery.

