

**SETT VALLEY MEDICAL CENTRE NEWSLETTER ISSUE 10
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Goodbye to Anne Proud, Emma Hopkin and Tracey Hunt and best wishes in their future careers.

Welcome to Practice Nurses - Jessica Hancock and Julia Harding and Health Care Assistants - Diana Shaw and Clare Jones.
Some services may be unavailable until the Practice Nurses have been fully trained to deliver these services

Dr Ward will return on 15th January 2018. Dr Ward will be working Mondays and Wednesdays at New Mills until the end of March 2018. Regrettably, Dr Ward will be leaving Sett Valley MC to devote more time to her young family.

We continue to train 4th year and 5th year **medical students**, who see patients under the guidance of a trained GP.

We are reviewing the **Practice website** (www.settvalley.co.uk) with the assistance of the PPG and look forward to an enhanced Website in 2018.

A&E is extremely busy - remember to use it for emergencies only, not routine matters. A&E is only for critical or life threatening conditions. Remember that you can get in touch with both local GPs and Pharmacists for minor illnesses, and that a well-stocked medicine cabinet should be kept for self-treatment. Please help us to use our services responsibly, particularly during busy periods.

Thank you again to everybody for their continued support with the buying of books which raises money for **Blythe House Hospice**. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Patient Participation Group - The Next Meeting is on 24th January 2018 at 3pm at the Royal Hotel. All Patients are welcome.

The Group is in the process of producing a questionnaire to establish what patients want from the website.

Members Phyllis and Huggi decorated a tree on behalf of the PPG, which was displayed at **St George's Church in New Mills**. The tree had Information about the Practice, including services provided. We hope to repeat this next year (Thanks to Huggi and Phyllis).

In the New Year we will be hosting a **Food Bank**. There will be a container at both Practices, where anybody can leave tins, cartons of UHT milk, and other non-perishable food, in the containers for Helping Hands, who support people who are Homeless or need to use a Food Bank.

Christmas Opening Hours (Sett Valley Medical Centre)

The surgery will be closed from Friday 22nd December 2017 6.00 pm and re-open Wednesday 27th December 6.45 am

Closed Monday 1st January 2018 - Re open Tuesday 2nd January 2018

In an Emergency the urgent care centre opposite Sett Valley Medical Centre

will be open from 9.00am until 10pm Contact no 01663743483



Everyone at Sett Valley Medical Centre and The Old Bank Surgery wish you a very Merry Christmas