

KHFT Newsbytes



New Car Parking System and changes to car parking charges for Blue Badge Holders from 22 January

Kingston Hospital is introducing a new parking system to address issues highlighted by patient and public feedback on current arrangements. The new pay on exit system will be in place from 22 January 2018. The hospital's car parking charges will be staying the same, but in line with many NHS Trusts and local councils, the Trust will begin to charge blue badge holders for parking at the hospital from the 22 January 2018. The Trust will be reviewing the implementation of the new system and the blue badge holder parking charges over the next three months. If you have any feedback please send your comments to khft.pals@nhs.net

For more information please click [here](#)

Kingston Hospital introduces Point of Care Testing for Flu

Kingston Hospital has recently introduced a new way of testing adult patients for flu, using a new molecular analysing device. In December, Point of Care Testing (POCT) for Flu was introduced in both the hospital's Emergency Department and its Acute Assessment Unit, where senior nurses were trained in how to use the new molecular analyser to test for Flu. This new way of testing gives a result in 20 minutes, allowing staff to diagnose adult patients with flu faster than ever before. For more information click [here](#)

Non-Executive Director Cathy Warwick receives Damehood in New Year's Honours

One of the Trust's Non-Executive Director, Cathy Warwick CBE has received a Damehood in the New Year's Honours list for her services to midwifery. Dame Cathy Warwick joined Kingston Hospital's Trust board as a Non-Executive Director in October 2017 after retiring from her position as Chief Executive of the Royal College of Midwives. To read more please click [here](#)

Remind Me Care at Kingston Hospital

Staff on Derwent Ward at Kingston Hospital are revolutionising care for their patients with dementia by using a new unique piece of software to help understand their needs, likes and dislikes. RemindMeCare is bespoke reminiscence and family engagement software that helps create an e-collection of meaningful pictures and video that describe the habits and achievements that make everyone unique and help us deliver more informed care. For more information please click [here](#)

Next Council of Governors & Trust Board Meetings

The next Council of Governors Meeting is taking place on Thursday 25 January 2018 at 6pm, Lecture Theatre 1, Level 5 of the Kingston Surgical Centre. The next Trust Board Meeting will be taking place on Wednesday 7 February at 9.30am, Seminar Room 1, Level 5 of the Kingston Surgical Centre. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Support Kingston Hospital Charity by undertaking a sporting challenge

We have places available in The Big Half (half-marathon on 4 March 2018), Super Hero Run (13 May 2018) and RideLondon/Surrey100 (29 July 2018). If getting fitter or taking on a sporting challenge are among your New Year's resolutions, please email us at khft.charity@nhs.net or call **020 8973 5041** for more information and to secure your place.

Upcoming Membership Events

Come along to our Dementia Awareness Talk on Wednesday 23 May 2018 at 11am and to our End of Life Information Talk on Wednesday 4 July 2018 at 11am. For more information or to register for these events please email khft.comms@nhs.net

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