

KHFT Newsbytes



Transforming our Emergency Department

Sir Vince Cable, Leader of the Liberal Democrats accompanied by Dame Judith Jolly, the Lib Dems Spokesperson for Health and Ed Davey, MP for Kingston and Surbiton recently visited our newly transformed Emergency Department (ED) with new waiting spaces, a new Urgent Treatment Centre, and an expansion to Majors & Resus. It was a great opportunity for us to showcase the fantastic work that has taken place. They met with ED staff and had a tour of the Emergency Department. Those who had used our ED before for their families were really impressed with the size and calmness of the Majors extension and the size of the Resus areas which also enable us to offer a large dedicated area for children.

Kingston Hospital's Maternity department performing consistently well

The latest Maternity patient survey, shows the hospital is performing consistently well. The survey, conducted by Picker, received nearly 200 responses from women who had given birth in February 2017, giving the Trust a response rate of 47.2%, compared with the national average of 35.8%. The results show that at Kingston Maternity, women were positive about their experiences at every stage of their care, with most responses having improved or stayed the same since the survey was last carried out in 2015. For more information please click [here](#)

Kingston Hospital's Macmillan Cancer Support Volunteers receive recognition from HRH Prince Charles

Our Macmillan Cancer Support Volunteers have been recognised by HRH Prince Charles for their hard work and dedication to Macmillan Cancer Support. The team worked extremely hard and have had some great achievements. They won a national Macmillan Cancer Support Volunteers Award 2017 (Deborah Hutton Award) for going above and beyond their duty to help patients and carers. One of our younger volunteers who works in the hospital's Macmillan Information & Support Centre was recognised for her fantastic contribution to the charity. To read more please click [here](#)

NHS 70 Years Birthday Celebrations

The NHS is celebrating its 70th birthday on 5 July 2018 and we need your help. We would like to hear from you, if you have worked at Kingston Hospital or we have cared for you in the last 70 years 1948-2018. Have you any memories of Kingston since 1948 or any photos of staff at the hospital? As part of the celebrations we are planning a Kingston Hospital Wall of Fame and we would also like you to hear from you, if you or your children were born at the hospital in the last 70 years or you share the same birthday as the NHS on 5 July. For the Wall of Fame please email a baby and a current photo and all other photos and stories/memories to the Hospital's Communications team khft.comms@nhs.net or call 020 8934 3843.

New technology at Kingston Hospital cuts waiting times for dermatology treatment

Our Dermatology Team has invested in a new phototherapy machine to increase the number of patients we treat each week. This treatment uses a narrow bandwidth of UVB light known to be effective in treating skin conditions such as eczema and psoriasis. The Dermatology Team currently treat 46 patients a week for these conditions and with the new Narrowband (TL01) machine they will be able to treat up to 18 more patients a week. To read more click [here](#)

Upcoming Membership Events

Come along to our Dementia Awareness Talk (**please note change in date**) on Monday 21 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

Next Council of Governors & Trust Board Meetings

The next Council of Governors Meeting is taking place on Wednesday 21 March 2018 at 6pm, Lecture Theatre 1, Level 5 of the Kingston Surgical Centre.

The next Trust Board Meeting will be taking place on Wednesday 11 April at 9.30am, Seminar Room 1, Level 5 of the Kingston Surgical Centre. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Please send your comments to: khft.comms@nhs.net

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