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PATIENT NEWSLETTER

A Little Message From Us

At Beech Tree Surgery, we know that healthcare is about more than appointments, treatments, or test results - it's about people.

It's about you, your loved ones, and the unique journey you're on. That's why we created this newsletter: to share information, encouragement, and resources that support you not only as a patient, but as a whole person.

You'll find helpful tips for staying well, updates about the care and services we offer.

Our hope is that this newsletter can bring you a sense of reassurance and connection, no matter where you are in your health journey.

Your feedback on this newsletter is welcomed, and we would also be delighted to hear of any ideas and content you would like to see in a future issue.

Thank you for allowing us to be part of your care. It's a privilege we never take for granted, and we're honored to walk alongside you every step of the way.

Beech Tree Team X







Protected Learning Time (PLT)

Protected Learning Time (PLT) is when our healthcare team steps away from routine appointments for dedicated training and development.



This helps us stay up to date with the latest knowledge and skills, so we can continue providing you with safe, high-quality care.

Don't worry—urgent care is always available during these times.

See our upcoming afternoon closure dates:

12th November 2025

3rd December 2025

20th January 2026



THE FLU IS NOTHING TO BE SNEEZED AT - GET PROTECTED



Why the Flu Vaccine Matters

Every year, flu season brings sniffles, coughs, and sometimes serious illness. The good news? A flu vaccine is one of the simplest and most effective ways to protect yourself and those around you.

Getting vaccinated takes just a few minutes, but the benefits can last all season long.

Most eligible people can get their flu vaccine from 1st October. Give us a call or visit the NHS website for more information on eligibility.







Did you know your local pharmacy can often help without you seeing a GP?

Through Pharmacy First, trained pharmacists can give advice and treatment for a range of common conditions, such as sore throats, earaches, or urinary tract infections.

It's a faster, more convenient way to get the care you need - often without an appointment. If your symptoms need further attention, the pharmacist will make sure you're directed to the right place.



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Dr Vikas Gupta

Vikas was born in Cheshire and brought up Scotland. He joined Beech Tree Surgery as a registrar in 2007 and became a partner the following year. His clinical interests include palliatve care and hypertension. He is also a GP trainer and is passionate about developing the GPs of tomorrow.



Dr Nicholas Jackson

Nick was born and brought up in North Yorkshire; he has been a full-time GP at Beech Tree Surgery since 1998. He has interests in diabetes and minor surgery as well as teaching medical students and resident doctors. He is also the Clinical Director for the Selby Town Primary Care Network (PCN).



Dr Nigel Wells

Nigel moved to England in 1998 after qualifying in medicine at Dundee University, Scotland. He joined the Beech Tree Surgery GP partnership in 2008. He is also the Medical Director and Executive Director for Clinical and Care Professional for Humber and North Yorkshire ICB.

Photos from our PLT





Our reception team recently completed a training session focused on improving patient experiences. The session covered effective communication, active listening, empathy, and strategies to make every patient feel welcomed and supported from the moment they walk through our doors.

By strengthening these skills, our receptionists help ensure your visits are smooth, respectful, and positive - because excellent care starts with the first hello.



OUR PRACTICE STATISTICS FOR OCTOBER 2025





Self-Care Corner - Chronic Conditions

Living with a chronic condition can be challenging, but small steps can make a big difference:

- Listen to your body Rest when needed and pace your activities.
- Move gently Light exercise like stretching or short walks can ease stiffness and boost mood.
- Prioritize mental health Deep breathing, journaling, or talking with a friend can help manage stress.
- Stay nourished & hydrated Balanced meals and plenty of fluids support energy and well-being.
- Stay connected Reach out to loved ones or support groups - you don't have to face it alone.

Even small acts of self-care add up. Celebrate your progress, one step at a time.

We Value Your Feedback!

We're always grateful for the kind words and honest feedback our patients share. Here are a few recent reviews that inspire us every day:



I recently had reason to see a GP at Carlton surgery. From making the appointment, having a face to face consultation with a GP, having tests and a second consultation with same GP - I couldn't have received better service.



As a brand new patient I was so impressed by the surgery.



New Amina system has made it far more accessible. Fill in the form, usually get a response within a few hours.

We truly value hearing from our patients. Please feel free to scan the QR code at the bottom of the page to leave a Google review and share your thoughts with us.

