



Merry Christmas and happy holidays

Kia ora,

It is time for an update about what is happening at The Doctors St Heliers as we head into 2021. Read on for more about:

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2020 has been a challenging and at times difficult year for patients and staff alike, and we would like to thank all our patients for their understanding and patience.

We wish all our patients a happy and safe Christmas holiday break and remind everyone that keeping our community safe means if you have cold or flu symptoms, experience a loss of taste or smell, then you should have a Covid swab at a testing station or medical centre and isolate yourself.

Merry Christmas from us all at [The Doctors St Heliers](#)

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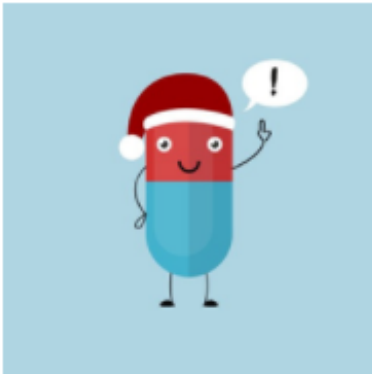
Farewell Dr Ruth Bannister

We, at The Doctors St Heliers are very sad to say goodbye to Dr Ruth Bannister. Ruth is taking a break from general practice to focus on her busy family.

We will miss Ruth with her towering presence, constant support and care to staff and patients, work ethics and sense of humour. Ruth has been a special part of the Doctors St Heliers' team.

We are currently in the final stages of securing a GP and will notify you once the position has been filled.

We are doing all we can to minimize any disruption and are committed to continuing to provide you with the best possible care.



Order prescriptions now

If you require a repeat prescription before the Christmas break please order it soon to avoid any delay. In some cases an appointment may be required this time.

Please remember to order your prescription, either by phoning 09-5757 045 or via our patient portal [ConnectMed](#).



Face masks please

A reminder, we ask all our patients to wear a mask in the surgery.



Holiday hours

We close at 3pm 24 December and open 8am Monday 5 January 2021.

Book your normal check ups

2020 has been an unusual time for everyone so it's helpful to know you can book your normal medical check-ups. We'll keep doing everything we can to keep you and your whānau safe and well, with access to all the medical services you need. We're here for you.