

PRACTICE NEWSLETTER

Hello

We are happy to say a warm welcome to several new members of staff.



Nursing team

Our nursing team has been joined by recently qualified and registered nurse **Andrea Povodova**, Andrea has been with us for a few weeks now and has already proved a friendly and helpful member of staff, always ready with a smile.

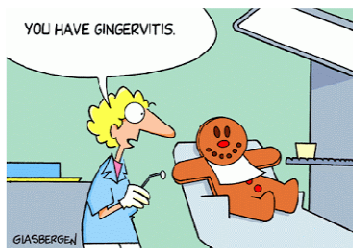
We are also happy to announce a new trainee dental nurse, **Emily Bailey**. Emily B has just finished her A-Levels and joined us straight from sixth form. She's swiftly proving herself as able and willing to learn. We look forward to helping her along the road towards qualifying as a dental nurse and then who

knows where after that!



Hygienist

Many of you will already have met another member of staff, **Jennifer Rayner**. Jenny qualified with a BSc in Hygiene and Therapy in 2011 from Birmingham University. Jenny has been with us for a few months now as our new part-time hygienist; she is with us on a Tuesday and Thursday morning for those of you who require early morning appointments! She is proving very popular with patients and staff alike. Jenny and Lynn's work ethics complement each other wonderfully and together they are helping patients with their fight against gum disease!



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Training

Emily Bailey is now training for her Dental Nursing qualification through the practice.

One of our other nurses is also taking on two new courses. John Hunts nurse **Emily Ferguson**, who has been with the practice for 4 and a half years after also joining as a trainee, passed her National Certificate in Dental Nursing last year and is currently studying for her NEBDN exams in Radiography and Oral Health Education. Emily F is extremely grateful to John and all the other staff in the practice for all their help and for supporting her in her pursuit to further her knowledge in the dental field, helping her in her quest to hopefully join the ranks of **Lynn** and **Jenny** as a Dental Hygienist!

Kevin Gilmore is currently completing the Diploma in Implantology at the Royal College of Surgeons of England to further his abilities even more. If you are interested in Implant treatment please speak to Kevin when you are in for your next appointment and the treatment can be thoroughly discussed with you.



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Congratulations



Congratulations are sent to dentist **Kevin Gilmore** on his recent nuptials. Kevin is happily settling into married life.



We also send big congratulations to **Brenda** and **John** who have been practising dentists for 30 years this August! John and Brenda are both still as eager as ever to pass on knowledge of their years of experience, and also keen to learn different techniques & ideas with ongoing professional development.



Goodbye

As many of you know, **Brenda Macmillan** and **John Hunt**, for the last 3 years, have been appointed as trainers to help newly qualified dentists bridge the change between working under constant supervision at university, to working on their own in general practice. We provide a “middle-ground” for them, working on their own, but with the reassurance of having a supervisor to discuss treatment plans and/or options.

As part of this role, Brenda and John have just completed a two year course and have been awarded the Certificate of Medical Education; they graduate in October at the University of Winchester.

We are now entering our fourth year of having this prestigious appointment & as such we have seen five wonderful foundation dentists train with us for a year & then move on to new places!

This last year we had Stefan Montegriffo and Samantha Koch who proved highly popular with staff and patients alike.

Stefan and Sam are both taking well deserved breaks before going on to their new jobs.

As we say a sad goodbye to Stefan and Sam, we are very pleased to say a big *hello* to **Natalie Ackuaku** (BDs Sheff. 2013) and **Temitope Makinde** (BDs Cardiff 2013) who we are sure will be made to feel just as welcome by our patients over the next year!

Baby News!

We also say goodbye to **Amanda Marchant** for a very short while.

Amanda is currently on maternity leave and we are awaiting the birth of her son later this. Amanda will be returning to the practice in her role of dental nurse next year and will be missed while she is on maternity leave.

