

practice news

Welcome to our summer 2008 newsletter

You will be pleased to know that we have now completed phase two of our refurbishment – we would like to thank you for your patience during the building work and hope you find your patient lounge comfortable and relaxing. However, if you have any suggestions as to how we can further improve our services please feel free to make a suggestion. Due to popular demand we have recently introduced Zoom!® teeth whitening treatment to the practice for those who are looking

forward to a brighter smile this summer. Zoom!® teeth whitening is available at the discounted cost of £400.00 to our plan patients, however you can take advantage of our ten month interest free credit option, which allows you to pay £40.00 per month spread over ten months.

We have now completed our practice website, you can visit us at www.oldsurgerydental.co.uk. Please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff for further information.



Did you know?

As a plan patient your monthly payments will be paid for you for up to 12 months if you are made redundant.

Cosmetic dentistry

Dentistry is no longer just a case of filling and extracting teeth as it was for many years. Nowadays, many people turn to cosmetic dentistry, or 'aesthetic dentistry', as a way of improving their appearance, much as they would use cosmetic surgery or even a new hairstyle.

Treatments can be used to straighten, whiten, repair and reshape teeth. Cosmetic treatments include veneers, crowns, bridges, implants and tooth-coloured fillings. Contact the surgery for a Cosmetic Assessment Appointment.

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Going on holiday?

We wanted to remind patients about the insurance cover and that they should take details with them when they travel either at home or abroad.

Emergency callout cover can be provided by any dentist worldwide who agrees to treat you. You simply pay the emergency callout charge to the dentist concerned and collect a receipted invoice. This will then be processed through the practice for reimbursement from the insurers and you will be refunded the callout fee minus the excess up to the policy limits. Dental trauma cover is also provided should you be unfortunate enough to suffer an accident.



Dental hygiene visits

The recent practice expansion has allowed us to provide more sessions of hygienist appointments and has proved a resounding success. Your dentist will carefully assess your oral hygiene and overall gum health and arrange appointments with our Dental Hygiene Team if necessary. These appointments are a vital part of improving your overall oral health, as well as having your

teeth scaled and stains removed, the hygienist will give you individual instruction and advice for your cleaning. From experience we know that following this advice and attending regularly for hygiene visits will result in a healthier mouth, a reduction in bleeding from your gums and bad breath and could also significantly reduce the necessity for fillings and other dental treatments.



Antibiotic cover

Patients with heart defects who have previously been prescribed antibiotic cover before scaling or extractions will find at their next visit that guidelines have changed. The National Institute of Clinical Excellence (N.I.C.E.) has researched the risks and recommended that antibiotics are no longer required prior to dental treatment. The cover itself carries a risk of allergic reaction to the high dose. Please feel free to discuss this with your dentist if you feel this is relevant to your treatment.

For a limited period we are able to offer our plan patients an Oral B Triumph with Smart Guide for £85.00 - while stocks last. And for those of you who use Tepes, you can order them over the phone and we will post them on to you.



Wordsearch



Can you find the following dental terms in the grid?

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- BRACES
- CAVITY
- CROWN
- DENTALFLOSS
- DENTIST
- FILLINGS
- MOUTH
- ORAL
- ORTHODONTIC
- PATIENT
- PLAQUE
- ROOT
- SMILE
- SURGERY
- TEETH
- TOOTHBRUSH

Patient referrals

We are always delighted to accept new patients that have been referred and recommended by you. This means a great deal to us as it means you are happy with your dental care and are pleased to pass on this news to your family and friends. This is how our practice has grown and will continue to do so with your help.

Please remember

Please ensure that you respond to your examination and hygiene treatment recalls that we send to you. We can't stress enough how important it is to be regularly checked, regardless of how well you think you brush and floss at home.



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Summer giveaway

We have put together a complimentary travel pack containing samples of oral health products - ideal to take on holiday!

Please call in to pick up yours today.



Here at The Old Surgery we are constantly looking at ways to improve our services to you, our patients. If you would like to make any comments or suggestions on how we can do this, then please let us know.