



Practice Newsletter

Spring 2013

RETIREMENT

After many years of caring for patients at High Street Dental Practice, Mrs Judith Casey will be retiring at the end of August this year. After over 30 years of working in general dental practice we all wish Judith a happy retirement!

In order to provide on-going care for Mrs Casey's patients we are delighted to announce that Mrs Louise Watts will be increasing her hours at the practice from September. In addition Mr Neel Kothari will also be taking on some of Mrs Casey's patients to ensure a smooth transition.

Both Mrs Watts and Mr Kothari have undertaken considerable post graduate training, most recently at UCL Eastman in order to keep up to date with best practices and have been at the practice for several years.



Mrs C Louise Watts



Mr Neel Kothari

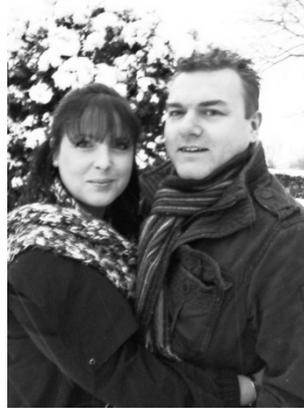
OTHER Staff news

We are delighted to announce that Louise Watts has passed the Certificate in Restorative Dental Practice course at UCL Eastman Dental Institute in London with flying colours. Restorative dentistry involves the repair of teeth, for example fillings, root canal treatment and crowns. Many congratulations to Louise on your success!

For more information, please contact the practice team on 01223 835845 or info@sawstondentist.com

WEDDING BELLS

Congratulations to our Practice Manager Michelle King who is getting married this spring! We wish Michelle and Chris all the very best for a great day and a wonderful future together.



Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults

We have recently reviewed and updated our policies for Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults here at High Street Dental Practice and would like to provide you with some extracts of the policies below for your information. If you would like to read more about these policies, please ask at reception for a copy.

Child Protection Policy Statement



Our practice is committed to protect children from harm. Our dental team accepts and recognises our responsibilities to develop awareness of the issues which cause children harm.

We will endeavour to safeguard children by

- adopting child protection guidelines through procedures and a code of conduct for the dental team*
- making staff and patients aware that we take child protection seriously and respond to concerns about the welfare of children*
- sharing information about concerns with agencies who need to know and involving parents and children appropriately*
- following carefully the procedures for staff recruitment and selection*
- providing effective management for staff by ensuring access to supervision, support and training*



Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults Policy - extracts



The aim of [the Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults] policy is to ensure the safety of vulnerable adults by outlining clear procedures and ensuring that all staff members are clear about their responsibilities...

All members of staff have a responsibility to be aware of this policy and to report any suspicions that they might have concerning adult abuse...

A vulnerable adult is a person aged 18 years or over who may be unable to take care of themselves or protect themselves from harm or from being exploited.



With best wishes,

High Street Dental Practice Team



Photo taken Christmas 2012