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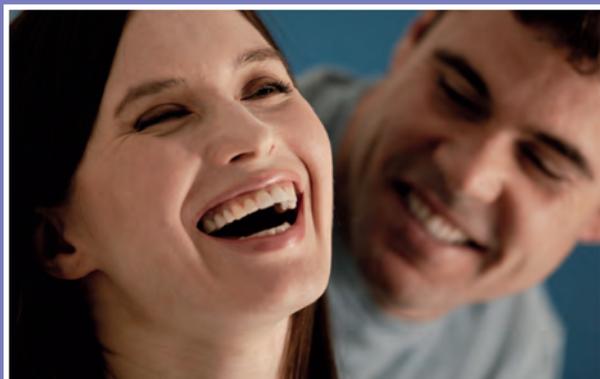
British Orthodontic Conference

During 2009 the team attended the annual British Orthodontic Conference in Edinburgh. This included a wide variety of lectures and presentations by leading experts and allowed our orthodontists to further expand their knowledge and expertise.

We like to attend the British Orthodontic Conference each year. We are looking forward to the 2010 conference in Brighton.

Attending events like these enables us to keep up-to-date with the latest news in orthodontics and to receive useful help and advice. All this means that we can continue to offer you the highest level of clinical care, together with the latest proven techniques and materials.

More services



As a specialist centre, we are currently looking at ways to expand our specialist services that we provide in addition to orthodontics. We hope to have more news about this in our next newsletter.

National Orthodontic Week

Our whole team have been involved in National Orthodontic Week (NOW). Lots of events were organised to improve awareness of orthodontic treatment whilst raising money for our chosen charity, Hospicecare. Please ask us if you would like more information.

Good Practice

The practice team is working towards the British Dental Association's prestigious Good Practice award. To achieve this we will need to demonstrate compliance with the high standards of care set out in the scheme. We hope to bring you news of our progress in the next newsletter.

New staff

The team here at Weston Orthodontic Centre has been strengthened further with the addition of a new orthodontist.

Dr Jay Wilson joined us in October. She is a highly skilled specialist with a passion for helping patients to smile with confidence.



Dr Jay Wilson

We are also pleased to be joined by a new dental nurse. **Claire Butland**, who also works in a general dental practice, is working with us two days a week.

New qualifications

Our nurses are completing training to enable them to expand their roles in many ways such as taking impressions and x-rays and giving oral hygiene instruction. Two of our nurses are starting work towards their radiography post-graduate certificates and we wish them the best of luck.

We would like to congratulate Julie and Lisa on completing their NVQ level 2 in Customer Service and wish Jenni luck as she works towards this qualification.

Patients at the practice can rest assured that they are being cared for by a highly skilled team committed to providing our patients with the best service possible.

Teaching post

We would like to congratulate our orthodontist **Farnaz Parvizi** on her hospital teaching post. She will enjoy being able to pass on her knowledge to other practitioners. Farnaz's patients need not worry though; she will still be working at our practice.



Friends & family

We welcome referrals from our existing patients so if you know of anyone who could benefit from our services please pass on our details, or this newsletter. To book an initial appointment they should just contact reception or visit our website. During their consultation we will examine their teeth and discuss the options available to them.

Hell runner



Clare Hixson

One of our nurses, **Claire Hixson** recently completed an extremely challenging 12 mile run to raise money for The Blue Cross, Britain's Pet Charity. The extremely challenging off-road run was over multi-terrain and varying underfoot conditions. There were running tracks and trails, water filled areas and plenty of steep hills. The ground was uneven, slippery, stony and wet – nature at its toughest! Congratulations to Claire for surviving this gruelling event and raising lots of money. If you would like to make a donation to the charity please visit www.bluecross.org.uk or ask at reception.

Good luck Deb

One of our nurses, **Deb Crabtree** has begun working towards a Diploma in Orthodontic Therapy. She has completed her initial training and is now seeing patients at the centre and



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works under the instruction and supervision of one of the orthodontists. Once Deb has completed the course she will be a highly trained orthodontic therapist able to carry out much of the work traditionally carried out by orthodontists.

The course lasts for one year. Deb will also attend seminars and lectures during the year and will complete various reports and assessments. Deb is very excited about this opportunity to expand her clinical skills.

Maternity leave

Our orthodontist **Lisa Hichens** is expecting her second child in the spring. Lisa will be starting her maternity leave in April. We wish her well during this exciting time. While Lisa is off her patients will be looked after by other members of our team.