

COLLINS HOUSE

Dental Surgery

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Dental Care without Compromise

NEWS

from Collins House



Schülke Infection Prevention & Control Team of 2015 Award



The 'Schülke Infection Prevention and Control Team of 2015 Awards aims to recognise the commitment of healthcare practitioners such as doctors or dentists to infection control. At Collins House we pride ourselves on being fully compliant with all the latest guidelines. We feel that infection control is one of the areas we excel in. Day in, day out our dental nurses work tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure that our standards of cleanliness and infection control are second to none. We were delighted to hear that we have recently been shortlisted for this award and are keeping everything crossed that we are named winners later this year. Watch this space!



Courtyard Family Festival



We have been invited to take part in the first ever Family Festival at the Courtyard Theatre on Wednesday 28th October. The theme for the festival is Maud & The Dragon, a favourite local myth. Set in Haugh Woods, Mordiford, the legend describes how a little girl named Maud finds a charming little creature whilst she is out blackberry picking. Maud takes the creature home where her father soon realises it is a baby dragon and hatches a plan to kill it before it grows too big. Upon hearing this Maud sneaks out to hide the dragon in the woods. Maud keeps this secret for many years until the dragon begins eating local farm animals. There was once a painting of the dragon on Mordiford church wall but when the church was restored in 1810 the painting wasn't replaced. However, there is still a section of Haugh Woods called "Serpent Lane" in memory of this local legend.

Leading up to the day there will be dragon-related competitions within the practice and on the day the Courtyard will be full of children's events and activities. We understand that the dragon has toothache, giving our team a chance to promote dental health messages to the children of Herefordshire. Why not come and see us and join in the half-term fun.



New patients

We are currently in the position of being able to take a limited number of new Denplan patients. The biggest compliment you can pay us is to recommend our practice to your friends and family. If you know someone who needs a caring friendly dentist, please let us know and we will happily offer them an initial consultation.

Arrivals and departures

Welcome to Meera, our new associate dentist. Meera studied at Birmingham University and currently works in the Oral Surgery Department of Worcester Royal Hospital four days per week, and will work at our practice every Friday. Whilst she is confident in all areas of general dentistry, she is particularly skilled in oral surgery. We also welcome Letitia (Tish) who has joined us as a trainee dental nurse after completing her GCSE's. In her spare time Tish enjoys being outdoors and playing sports.



Meera



Tish

Staff Have Fun at the Wheelie Big Cycle

Simon Portman-Lewis and family, along with Kayleigh, one of our dental nurses, recently participated in Herefordshire's 2015 Wheelie Big Cycle in aid of St Michael's Hospice.



Collins House Fundraising Efforts

Some of you may have noticed on a recent visit to the practice that we had a hamper full of dental goodies on display in reception. This was the wonderful winning prize for entering our St Michael's Hospice charity raffle. We raised a grand total of £204 through ticket sales and the winner was delighted with his hamper. Thank you to everyone who donated to this extremely worthy local cause.



Appointment reminders – SMS (text) messaging or email

We now have a free text messaging reminder service to help you remember your next appointment. Many of you have told us how useful you find this.

If you would like to take advantage of this service, please let our reception team know.

Please remember to let us know if you change your mobile phone number.

We now have the facility to remind patients by email.

Opening times

Monday	08.30 to 17.00
Tuesday	08.30 to 19.00
Wednesday	08.30 to 17.00
Thursday	08.30 to 17.00
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Saturday	by appointment

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