

a great year at petre dental

This year the practice welcomed 3 new members of staff. Douglas Heaysman our clinical dental technician, Vishal Patel our new associate dentist who provides implants, oral surgery and "Invisalign", and Charlotte Pitman our new registered dental nurse.

Doug Heaysman Dip CDT, RCS, (Eng) MCDP, MDTA, DD, has over 30 years experience as a dental technician, having qualified in London in 1970, following 4 years study at Norwood College. He has considerable experience of both prosthetic and ceramic laboratory work, having worked in both busy commercial laboratories and smaller private premises. He has had his own laboratory in East Lancashire for the past 28 years. Clinical Dental Technicians (CDTs) are not dentists but are skilled practitioners who work in parallel with local dental practices to deliver specialist services to clients including the fitting of dentures. Equipped with solid technical training as a Dental Technician – plus post-technician training in sciences, clinical skills and interpersonal skills the CDTs can design, create, construct, repair and modify removable appliances to ensure optimal fit, maximum comfort and general well-being of patients.

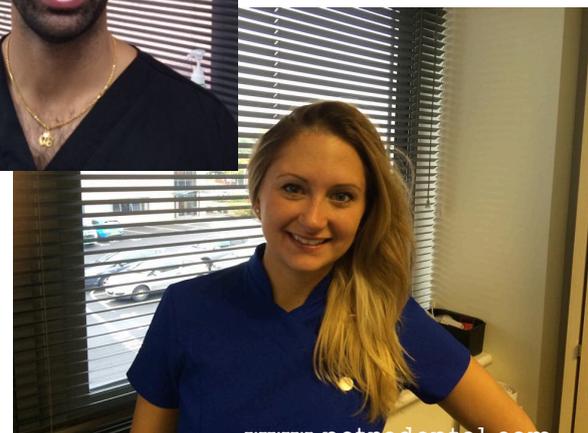
Vishal Patel BDS Hons, MFDS RCS Edin qualified from Sheffield Dental School in 2006, finishing top of his year with Honours.

He underwent further surgical training as a Senior House Officer in a Maxillofacial Surgery unit and has also gained

membership to the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh in 2010.

For over a year Vish was also a Honorary Clinical Fellow in Oral Surgery at the Charles Clifford Dental School, which involved teaching student dentists. Vish is dedicated to further education and has completed an 18 month Certificate Course in Implant Dentistry as well as a year long Certificate Course in Cosmetic Dentistry in London and an Invisalign and C-Fast braces accreditation. He is also on the editorial board for a magazine aimed at young dentists.

Charlotte Pitman has joined our dedicated and professional registered dental nurse team only in October 2014. She is qualified in dental radiography and is already contributing greatly to the practice.



Orthodontics at Petre Dental

This year Colin has completed several orthodontic courses including an educational programme at the clinical foundation of Orthopaedics and Orthodontics. This promotes an holistic approach to moving teeth and stresses providing extraction free orthodontics. This type of treatment often uses the new triangular type orthodontic brackets known as DELTA brackets.

Delta Force



Children's Dentistry - Fissure Sealants

When children begin to get their second teeth cutting through, it is normal for the front bottom teeth (incisors) to cut through first. Often they will also start to get their first permanent molars which erupt behind the last baby tooth at the back of the mouth. You will often not notice these teeth

coming through. This usually starts to happen around the ages of between 5 and 7 years.

When these back teeth first come through into the mouth, they are more vulnerable to decay than the existing baby teeth already in the mouth. For this reason we recommend

"FISSURE SEALANTS", which stick to the surface of these teeth in the grooves and stop food from sticking in and causing decay. Your child will be about 60% less likely to need fillings on these teeth as a result.

Ask in surgery for more information.



Colin completed his "facilitating learning" course at UCLAN this year. This formally allows him to continue to provide educational courses for health care providers. This has already attracted a national orthodontic company to pick Petre Dental to role out an educational programme to dental nurses starting in 2015.

Extraction free braces

Our philosophy of non-extraction orthodontic therapy creates beautiful wide, U-shaped arches and great, full smiles like Julia Roberts! When premolars are extracted, the dental arches tend to become more narrow and the arches V-shaped. This creates dark voids in the corner of the mouth between the teeth and corner of the lips (dark corridor), but with non-extraction therapy we are able to create a full complete smile without this effect. Also the profile of these patients ends up being more pleasing overall.

If we are able to see a patient at the age of nine or ten, I can expand the arches because the facial bones are still growing and this will create a wide U shaped arch and allow us to treat the patient without extractions. In the majority of cases if the patient is referred at the optimum timing (age nine to ten), then there is a high probability of a non-extraction treatment plan.

If primary teeth are lost or removed prematurely, then the appropriate space maintaining appliance must be used to retain the arch length, thus providing us with enough arch length to allow complete and proper eruption of all permanent teeth.



Come and discuss invisalign

invisalign

New patients who are seeking orthodontics. You may not have had the opportunity as a child or may have been refused a brace owing to the NHS strict rules on availability. Whatever the case may be, we offer an initial discussion FREE of charge. If appropriate and

where the patient wants to look more seriously into the possibility, we will arrange a full case assessment with X-rays, study models and photographs. A report will be produced outlining the options available to you. From July 2014 Petre Dental has been offering **Invisalign.....**

'Invisible Braces'.

We are one of only 2 dental practices in the east lincs area who are able to offer the invisalign brand. There are many cheaper versions available but only Invisalign has the reputation for quality and support.

