



# BERKHAMSTED DENTAL PRACTICE

*Caring for your family's teeth*

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Poem by Fran Allen:

*Here's a little ditty about our dental team.*

*We hope you find us friendly; we're not as scary as we seem.  
 At the helm there's John & Claire who steer us through each week,  
 They couldn't manage without the girls whose assistance that they seek,  
 There's nurses Angie, Carly & Sue who daily keep things going.  
 And Fran is at reception to keep the patients flowing.  
 On Saturdays its sometimes Tim (not every week you know).  
 But when he's here his patients come & sit here in a row.  
 And Giles comes in on Tuesdays with his brackets, wax & wire,  
 Working hard to straighten teeth – he never seems to tire!  
 Hygienists Jane & Estelle are there to keep your smile so bright.  
 They'll guide you & instruct you how to clean both day & night.  
 So there we are- we make a team and all we want to say,  
 Is Season's Greetings one and all and have a happy Christmas Day!*



**M**any of you are probably aware that Claire had a place to run this year's Flora London Marathon. Sadly Claire injured her knee with a little over a month to go. Fortunately she's OK again now, but no more marathons- Doctor's orders! Very many thanks for all your messages of support and helping raise almost £1,000 for the Children with Leukaemia charity



**Y**ou may already know Carly from Saturdays. This summer we were delighted to welcome her as a full time member of the team.

In July 2008 the General Dental Council is introducing compulsory qualifications & registration for dental nurses, to further safeguard the wellbeing of patients.

Angie & Sue are already fully qualified and Carly is well on her way to completing her studies in good time for next July



**W**e constantly strive to provide dental care of the highest quality – *We take every smile seriously.* As part of this process we work closely with Luke Barnett Ceramics to create lifelike porcelain restorations. On occasions, to ensure the best possible match between the existing teeth and new crowns or veneers, we will ask patients to meet with Luke and his team in Watford. In 2008 Luke will be moving to new, state of the art premises just a few moments walk from Watford Junction Station. This will help make this important service more easily accessible to our patients.



**F**lexibility in appointment times is something we take very seriously. We offer appointments from 8am to 6.45pm to best suit our patients busy lives. Hygienist appointments are available 5 days a week, including Saturdays.

There will, of course, be times when you will need to change or cancel an appointment. In order to be able to offer all our patients the best choice of available appointments we would kindly ask you to give us at least 24 hours notice if you need to change or cancel an appointment

Thank you.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from

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