

## ALBION STREET PRACTICE NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 2012

The practice has recently joined the National Association for Patient Participation. We would like to encourage patients to join our Practice Forum. We meet four times a year. Attending meetings is a good way of finding out about changes to local Health Care Services. It gives you the opportunity to be involved in implementing change and it's really good for us as a Practice to get your feedback so that we can improve our services. If you cannot attend the meetings in person perhaps you would like to be part of our virtual group. This would involve you giving us your email address and once or twice a year we may contact you for small surveys and to ask your opinion.

**Next Practice Forum Meeting: Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm at Albion Street. All registered patients are most welcome. For more information look on the website [www.albionstreetpracticeforum.co.uk](http://www.albionstreetpracticeforum.co.uk)** This website is for patients and updated by patients.



### **Blooming Tea Party on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 11-3pm**

This is in aid of Marie Curie. We aim to beat our previous target of £309.50 and all contributions would be appreciated. All patients are welcome. It is a way of meeting staff and patients alike.



### **Seasonal Flu Clinics for 2012**

If you are eligible for a flu vaccine our Saturday walk in clinic for 2012 will be Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October and Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October 9am-11am. No need to book an appointment just turn up. Tea and cake will be served and donations will go to chosen charity.

## Staff News

Welcome to our new Registrars. Dr Sam Eden will be with us for a year and Dr Claire Clapshaw will be with us for six months.

Dr Otty is taking a Sabbatical over the winter months. You may remember Dr Ben Pert who was with us in 2010. He will be covering her sessions.



## Travelling Abroad

Please remember you may need immunisations or malaria tablets for your holiday. Please let us know well in advance, contacting us four to six weeks before you depart to allow enough time for you to be allocated a travel clinic appointment.



## Contacting the Surgery

We would appreciate it if you can call the surgery for all routine matters such as making a routine appointment or to check results etc between the hours of 10.30am and 2.30pm. Should you call outside of these hours during very busy times you may be asked to call back.

If you need an appointment on the same day or need to speak to the Duty Doctor please call between 8.30-10am & 3-4pm.

## Dates for your Diary

The practice will be closed for staff training between 1-4pm on the following dates:

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December

## Useful Contact Numbers

Seldoc (out of hours) 020 86939066  
Patient Advice & Liaison Services 0800 5877170  
NHS Direct 0845 4647  
Guys & St Thomas Hospital 020 71887188