# The Whole Tooth

from Behind the Big Red Door...

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## **Back in Business**

e did it! Setting up an entirely different operation has been a huge undertaking, but on 1st July we opened our door a little wider to welcome more patients for a broader scope of treatments and services. The PPE is going to take some getting used to, as it feels as though we're working in a full suit of armour, but it's a small price to pay to get back to doing what we love.

The feedback we have received over the last two weeks has been fantastic, with high praise for our safety procedures and professionalism. One patient wrote 'in these trying times where many things are hectic the surgery was run like a well-oiled machine'. Due to the restrictions set out by Public Health Wales we are still some

way off returning to business as usual, but we are definitely progressing in the right direction.



#### **Practice Plan Members**

next few weeks to restart your dental care. As a thank you for continuing

## **Be Mouth-Aware**

Cases of mouth cancer are rapidly increasing in the UK. More people suffer from the disease than testicular and cervical cancers. Despite this, mouth cancer is often overlooked when we think about self-checking.

With early diagnosis, the chances of surviving mouth cancer are nine out of ten. Early detection means less drastic surgery and a quicker return to health.

Main signs of mouth cancer to look for during your daily oral hygiene routine are:-

- Mouth ulcers that do not heal within three weeks
- Red and white patches inside the mouth
- Unusual swelling in the mouth or on the tongue
- Persistent numbness on the lip or tongue

If you spot any of these contact your dentist for an assessment.



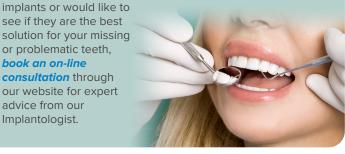
#### **Eco-Friendly Masks**

A big thank you to our sewing friends Marjorie and Lucy who generously donated their time and talent to turn our bedsheets and pillowcases into fabric masks and scrub bags for the team. We have made a donation to their chosen charities, Cancer Research and Tear Fund.

### The beauty of implants

Whilst a mouthful of natural, healthy teeth is the preference, if that's no longer possible, dental implants are the next best thing. They give you the confidence to eat, smile, laugh and speak. Dental implants look and feel just like your own teeth. Because they are attached to your jaw there is no issue with embarrassment or pain sometimes caused by ill-fitting dentures. With excellent hygiene and maintenance implants can last a lifetime so they really are a sound investment. We offer monthly payment schemes with zero interest to spread the cost of your smile. If you have any questions about

see if they are the best solution for your missing or problematic teeth, book an on-line **consultation** through our website for expert advice from our Implantologist.





the opportunity to reconnect with

forgotten passions. We asked Dental Nurse Pauline to share her experience.

'After more than 12 years working at Ruabon Road, lockdown meant that I had time to do things I love such as painting and walking, though I really missed the people I work with every day and the interaction with our patients.'

In fact, Pauline missed the building so much she painted this fantastic picture which we have proudly displayed in the practice as a reminder of the positives that came out of lockdown.







