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Association for Dental Education in Europe meeting Date: 28-31 August 2013 Location: Durham Email: michellehope@nhs.net

Extended Training Programme for Dental Therapists, Health Education North East Date: September Location: Durham Email: michellehope@nhs.net

BDA Scottish Scientific Conference and Exhibition

Date: 6 September 2013 Venue: Crowne Plaza Hotel, Glasgow Telephone: 020 7563 4590 www.bda.org/scottishscientific

Occlusion in restorative dentistry

Date: 20 September 2013 Venue: Mercure Leicester City Hotel, Leicester Telephone: 020 7563 4590 Email: events@bda.org www.bda.org/seminars

#### Infection Prevention in Dentistry: One Day Conference

Date: 1 October 2013 Venue: ExCeL London www.eventsforce.net/dentalconf2013

#### Zeiss Dental Symposium

Date: 4-5 October 2013 Venue: Hotel Russell, London Telephone: 020 7950 1234 Email: marjorie.kelly@ucl.ac.uk

#### BDTA Dental Showcase

Date: 17-19 October 2013 Venue: NEC Birmingham www.dentalshowcase.com

## Bridge2Aid Bash (live band, disco, hot buffet)

Date: 18 October 2013 Venue: Hilton Metropole, Birmingham Telephone: 0845 850 9877 Email: thebash@bridge2aid.org www.bridge2aid.org

#### BSDHT Oral Health Conference

Date: 15-16 November 2013 Venue: ICC, Birmingham Email: enquiries@bsdht.org.uk www.bsdht.org.uk

13th Premier Symposium Date: 23 November 2013 Telephone: 020 7399 2914 www.dentalprotection.org/ newsnevents/events/uk/Premier\_ Symposium\_2013

#### PHOTO STORY



Children at Cherry Burton and Walkington Primary Schools in Yorkshire learn about good oral health from a team from Perfect 32 dental practice in Ladygate, as part of National Smile Month 2013.

### SAAD RELEASES FRAMEWORK TOOL

The Society for Advancement of Anaesthesia in Dentistry (SAAD) has released its proposed framework tool for *Guidance of Commissioning NHS England Dental Conscious Sedation Services*.

The document has been produced by SAAD – a dental charity dedicated to the advancement of knowledge in pain and anxiety control for dentistry – in order to provide guidance to the NHS England Central Commissioning Board (CCB) for Dentistry to shape a safe, high quality and consistent approach to the commissioning of conscious sedation.

SAAD hopes this guidance will be disseminated to regional commissioning teams. www.saad.org. uk/guidance-for-commissioning/

### **EQUIPMENT APPEAL**

Two fourth year dental students at the University of Manchester, planning to undertake their elective volunteering in Cambodia, are appealing for donations of dental or medical equipment and materials, children's toys, games and sports equipment.

Asim Mahmood and Mohammed Mudassar Akhtar are volunteering for the Tooth Angel Project, set up by the One-2-One charitable trust in Cambodia. The dental students, who are funding the trip themselves, will travel to various rural areas to provide dental care directly to the poorest and most vulnerable.

Asim can be emailed at: asim.nine1@hotmail.co.uk.

# PANEL WILL DEBATE AMALGAM

A heated debate on the variety of contentious mercury-related health issues is expected at Mercury 2013, which takes place at the Edinburgh International Conference Centre from 28 July – 2 August 2013.

One of the issues a panel will discuss on 30 July is whether mercury amalgam fillings cause harm. The panel will examine the degree of assessment that has been undertaken on alterna-

tive tooth-coloured filling materials, and whether mercury fillings should be withdrawn.

For more information on Mercury 2013 visit the website at www.mercury2013.com.

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