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Teaching Newsletter

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Have you booked your teaching for 2011-12?

We have started allocating students to practices. Please send in any requests to phc-teaching@bristol.ac.uk asap if you haven't done so already.

Have you considered becoming a '**Core Teaching Practice**'? These practices teach in all 5 years and in return receive enhanced pay. Open to practices in or close to Bristol. Please email the [Teaching Office](#) for more info.



Would you like to become an academic mentor?

In January 2012 the medical school set up a new robust system of mentors to nurture the professional and career development of undergraduate medical students within Bristol University.

This scheme is intended to achieve the following

- Give recognition to the professional status of students from year 1 as "doctors of the future". As the students mature they would progress to "doctors in waiting".
- To help students establish their professional identity, creating a roadmap for medical training throughout the 5 years of the undergraduate curriculum, and linking with the Foundation Programme and further post-graduate training.
- To allow an ongoing, and in part student generated, record of academic achievements. This record to be designed to produce the reference to support professional progress, F1 applications etc.
- To guide professional and career decision making.

Many GPs are already mentors in this new scheme. In September, we are extending the scheme to Year 3 and Year 4 students and so are recruiting more mentors. We propose that each Academic Mentor looks after 5 students and meets them twice a year.

For more information please email the Academic Mentor coordinator, Chris Cooper at chris.cooper@bristol.ac.uk This scheme carries the title of Honorary Senior Lecturer.

Nigel Rawlinson Director of Student Affairs

2012 Holiday reads

Like to have your nose in a book when on holiday? Rohinton Mistry's **Family matters** has narrative sweep and gentle humour.



If you are looking for something medical and haven't read it already, you might like to try John Diamond's **Because cowards get cancer too**. Or, if you simply don't have the time for reading but don't want to be left out of any discussions about books why not invest in reading a short book by Pierre Bayard called **How to talk about books you haven't read**. He advances the argument that reading is not really different from 'non-reading'. All evidence based of course...

Dates for your diary

Year 1 GP Teacher Workshop

18 September 2012

Engineers' House, Clifton, Bristol



Year 5 GP Teacher Workshop

Please note the date has changed:

9 November 2012

Engineers House, Clifton, Bristol