

Art Café to help Boathouse Surgery obtain a CRP machine

The Art Cafe next **Saturday 18th November** has a special fund-raising objective. The Patient Participation Group (PPG) for the Boathouse Surgery is running it to raise funds to buy a **CRP machine** for the Practice.

The CRP machine (the letters stand for C-reactive protein) can, through a simple blood test taken at the Surgery, determine whether sepsis is present. If there are high concentrations of CRP in the blood this indicates a response to an inflammatory disorder. The test results are consulted and interpreted on the spot after only a few minutes and can determine whether or not an anti-biotic is necessary.

The machine would be a great asset to the Boathouse Practice in managing patients' symptoms.

Please come to the Art Café on Saturday - 10.00 to 12.30 in the Old Stables, Whitchurch High Street - and support the project.

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