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January 20, 2006

FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the Securities Exchange Act of
1934

January 20, 2006

Commission File Number 001-14978

SMITH & NEPHEW plc
(Registrant's name)

15 Adam Street
London, England WC2N 6LA
(Address of registrant's principal executive offices)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Smith & Nephew plc
(Registrant)

Date: January 20, 2006

By: /s/ Paul Chambers

Paul Chambers
Company Secretary

SMITH & NEPHEW ANNOUNCEMENT DATES FOR 2006 AND DETAILS OF THE BRIEFING AT THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEONS

20 January 2006

Smith & Nephew plc (NYSE:SNN; LSE:SN) will announce its preliminary results for 2005 at 11am GMT/6.00am EST on 9 February 2006. A presentation for analysts will be held at 1.00pm GMT/8.00am EST which can be seen live via webcast on the Smith & Nephew website at www.smith-nephew.com and available on the site archive shortly afterwards.

The company will announce its quarterly results through the year as follows:

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|--------------------|-----------------|
| Quarter 1 | 27 April 2006 |
| Interims/Quarter 2 | 27 July 2006 |
| Quarter 3 | 2 November 2006 |

The company will host a meeting for analysts and investors at the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS), the largest orthopaedic congress in the world, at 8.00am (EST) on Wednesday 22 March 2006 in Chicago.

The meeting will be hosted by Sir Christopher O'Donnell, Chief Executive, with presentations from Dave Illingworth, President of Smith & Nephew's orthopaedics business, and Jim Taylor, President of the endoscopy business. The presentations will focus on Smith & Nephew products being exhibited by the orthopaedic and endoscopy businesses at the surgeon meeting. These will also be broadcast live by webcast on the Smith & Nephew website and will be available on the site archive shortly afterwards.

About Us

Smith & Nephew (LSE: SN, NYSE:SNN) is one of the world's leading medical devices companies, specialising in Orthopaedics, Endoscopy and Advanced Wound Management. Smith & Nephew ranks as the global leader in arthroscopy and advanced wound management and is the fastest growing full-line orthopaedics company in the world.

Smith & Nephew is dedicated to helping improve people's lives. The company prides itself on the strength of its relationships with its surgeon and healthcare professional customers, with whom its name is synonymous with the highest standards of performance, innovation and trust. The company has over 8,500 employees and operates in 33 countries around the world, generating sales of over GBP1.25 billion.

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