

How we will care for your child at Fanelli Dental



Welcome to Fanelli Dental Kids Care

Here at Fanelli Dental we believe that every child is precious and would like to thank you for choosing us to look after your most valuable treasure, your child. As they begin their dental journey with us we would like to let you know that the entire team is 100% committed to high quality, safe, kid friendly care. We are passionate about caring for all children no matter what age.

Please take your time to read through the below information as it is crucial to the treatment of your child.

Every effort will be made to obtain your child's cooperation through warmth, humour and understanding. The behaviour management techniques listed below are routine in paediatric dentistry and may be used at your child's dental appointment.

1. Tell-Show-Do

Your dental team will explain to your child what is to be done, then they will demonstrate how it is done. Often this is done in a fun way in story form using language below. . Then the procedure will be done on your child's tooth.

2. Positive Reinforcement:

This technique is used to reward your child when they display desirable behaviour. Rewards include enthusiastic praise, a high 5, or a prize.

3. Parental Support:

We welcome parents in the treatment room and enjoy the company, however in rare situations a child may prove to behave and cooperate better when the parent is not present. If asked to leave it is because we want the best outcome for your child, don't worry we have plenty of coffee and biscuits in the waiting room for you.

4. Laughing Gas:

Nitrous oxide (laughing gas) can be administered to calm and soothe your child prior to a procedure. Nitrous oxide is a safe medication that very rarely causes nausea. Your child is always awake and never loses consciousness.

Our Oral Health Therapists are trained to work with children however they are not trained with the administration of laughing gas, if this is required one of the our dentist will be asked to assist.

We will **NOT** restrain your child at any time for any procedures as we believe this can encourage a traumatic experience. The team is always willing to work together with your child and you the parent to gain that trust. We believe that we can gain a desirable outcome and sometimes this may take a few appointments

You may choose whether accompany your child or not to his/her appointment. We understand that sometimes it is impossible to attend due to certain commitments. If this is the case then we at Fanelli Dental will endeavour to inform you of any treatment changes prior to commencement. However, whether you are present or not we ask that you try to **AVOID** using negative words that can make the experience stressful for both the child and the operator.

We try to avoid using words that could scare your child and ask that you support us by not using them as well.

INSTEAD OF...	WE USE
Needle or shot	Sleepy juice
Drill	Mr Bumpy, Fire Engine, Brain Shaker, Germ Chaser
Drill on tooth	Chase the germs away
Pull or Yank a tooth	Wiggle a tooth, giving a tooth to the fairies
Decay or Cavity	Germs having a party, sugar bugs
Examination	Count teeth
Teeth Cleaning	Tickle the teeth
Cotton Rolls	Pillows for the tooth
Rubber Dam	Raincoat
Gas (Nitrous Oxide)	Happy Gas
Filling Material	Spaghetti, Tooth Goop, Patch

Our intention is to create an experience that is positive. We are confident that all will go well and hope that these suggestions will help prepare you with confidence for your child's upcoming appointment.

Please do not hesitate to talk to us if you have any concerns about treatment. We are here to help!

