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# TRUSTEES, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS AND PATRON

## WHY DO WE VOLUNTEER OUR TIME?

Each year thousands of children face the challenges of preventable tooth decay in the UK, especially those in households where oral health is often not considered a priority.

Children with poor oral health may suffer pain and infection resulting in sleeping problems, issues with eating, and present difficulties with playing and socialising. **Children will often be in a great deal of pain too, with nowhere to turn.**

We are all committed to stopping the rot and helping to fight tooth decay and in particular, to support children living in communities where **access to dental health and social care can be practically non-existent**. Our help is delivered through a blend of education and practical interventions.

**We volunteer because our help makes a difference. Help us to help keep children smiling.**



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# VISION AND MISSION

## OUR MISSION

To provide oral health through dental wellness.

## OUR VISION

To improve oral health in children and young people, especially those who are most in need. By providing oral health education and interventions we protect unnecessary tooth decay and give children and young people **Healthy Smiles, Healthy Lives and Healthy Futures**.

## OUR AIM

To build a sustainable network and structure of oral health education and training for children to take responsibility for their own dental health.

By expanding into schools and nurseries with the provision of supervised toothbrushing programmes , we can eliminate tooth decay and build healthy smiles and healthy futures.



# OUR ACHIEVEMENTS



THOUSANDS  
MORE CHILDREN  
BRUSHING DAILY  
HELPING TO PREVENT  
TOOTH DECAY

REFUGEE CHILDREN  
SCREENED &  
TREATED



SCHOOL CHILDREN  
SCREENED & TREATED  
WITH FLUORIDE VARNISH

# LOOKING AHEAD

“ORAL HEALTH IS A BASIC HUMAN RIGHT”  
WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION

## FUNDING

As a charity, we rely solely on donations to fund our important work. Help us to reach out to even more children and young people, in the most need.

## EXPANSION OF THE LIVESMART PROGRAMME

We have recently seen an increase in the number of schools participating in our free, oral health education programmes, and as a result thousands more children are being enrolled on our LiveSmart supervised toothbrushing programmes. By enabling teachers to undertake training via our e-learning app, we hope to continue this trend and reach even more schools throughout the UK.

## OUTREACH

By working in collaboration with other organisations we want to both continue and extend the screening and emergency dental care that we provide to refugee and evacuee children awaiting housing in the UK. Many of these children arrive in the UK in pain and require urgent help.

## RESEARCH STUDIES

Over the years we have taken part in many research studies, and this is something we will continue to do.

## MOBILE DENTAL CLINIC

In 2022, we benefited from the donation of a pre-loved Mobile Dental Clinic thanks to Henry Schein. We have put this vehicle to good use for school screening visits. Due to the success of this facility we hope to buy a modern, brand new mobile clinic, complete with two dental chairs and an x-ray machine.

## SCHOOL SCREENINGS

In 2023, we want to significantly increase the number of screenings we undertake in schools and place fluoride varnish. The pilot work we started in 2022 in this area, highlighted that 50% of children screened required referrals to treat dental decay.

# LIVSMART TOOTHBRUSHING PROGRAMME

Since 2015, the Dental Wellness Trust has been working in UK nurseries and schools providing free, oral health education and supervised toothbrushing programmes which now reach thousands of children daily. But there are many more thousands of children to reach who need our help.

We have set up an accreditation scheme where each school receives a plaque to acknowledge they have a supervised toothbrushing programme in place. To make sure that our programmes are continuing to benefit children, we regularly stay in touch with the schools.

As part of our programme we provide the schools with the following:



## TRAINING

We train teachers on the correct brushing technique and how to carry out the programme successfully.



## TOOTHPASTE PLATE

The Dental Wellness Trust has worked on different ways to administer the toothpaste in a safe and effective way. The best method we found was to dot the toothpaste on the edge of a plate and allow the children to pick up the toothpaste without cross contamination.



## TOOTHBRUSH HOLDERS

Our existing storage of toothbrushes had to be reevaluated due to Covid. Working with a design team, we made a toothbrush holder which had a cover to protect the brushes but still allowed ventilation and space for the water to drip off after cleaning.



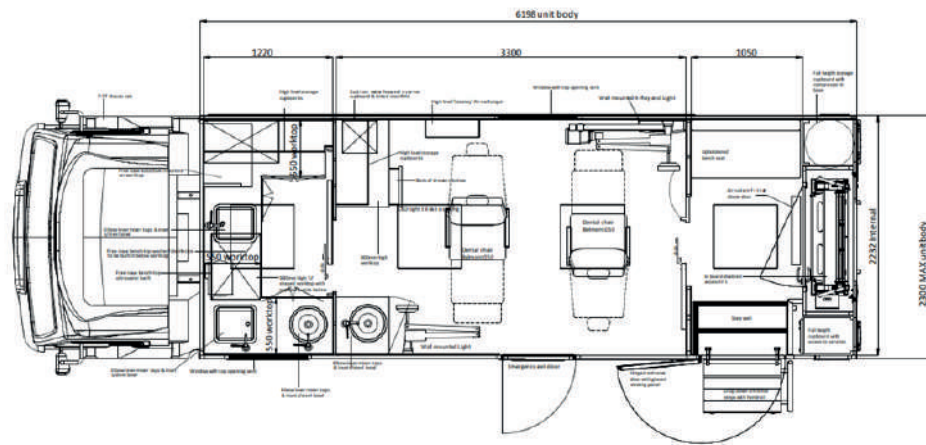
## TOOTHBRUSHES AND PASTE

With the help of donations, the charity has been able to supply the schools with toothbrushes (each brush is replaced every term) and toothpaste.





# MOBILE DENTAL CLINIC



The mobile dental clinic will feature two fully functioning dental chairs with a partition screen to allow for privacy. There will also be a digital x-ray scanner to help diagnose decay and infections.





## SCHOOL SCREENING AND FLUORIDE TREATMENT

In 2022, Dental Wellness Trust piloted screening and fluoride treatments in some of the schools already enrolled in our toothbrushing programmes. These treatments were provided to over 800 children and highlighted that over 50% of the children had active decay and only a small number of those children (around 3%) had had preventive treatment like fissure sealants.

The children that were screened and noted to have decay were provided with a letter and information on how to access a local dentist (if they were not already registered). Children with multiple and heavily decayed teeth were given urgent dental referrals to dental hospitals.

During 2023 we plan to use our new mobile dental van to visit more schools and provide further screening and preventive treatments.

50%  
OF THE CHILDREN  
HAD ACTIVE DECAY

# OUTREACH

“Outreach is the activity of providing services to any population that might not otherwise have access to those services”

In 2021, the charity was approached by RESPOND (a new rapid access, community-based screening and care planning service for all asylum-seeker families registered with a GP in Camden) to help provide dental care while waiting to be placed into housing around the UK.

EXTRACTIONS, ROOT CANAL  
FILLINGS AND PREVENTIVE DENTISTRY TO

100+  
CHILDREN

Many of the children coming to the UK, in this way, have had minimal to no dental care and arrive in discomfort and pain. With the help of our dental volunteers, we have provided extractions, root canals, fillings, and preventive dentistry to many children. We will continue our efforts in 2023.

Here is our team of volunteers extracting a severely decayed tooth on this 10-year-old refugee from Syria.



# HOW CAN YOU HELP

By donating you can help to ensure that Dental Wellness Trust reaches more children and young people. Together we can stop the rot. Your donation no matter whether large or small will make a difference.

## DONATIONS VIA JUST GIVING

To make a one-off donation or rolling monthly donation, please visit our just giving page - [www.justgiving.com/dentalwellnesstrust](http://www.justgiving.com/dentalwellnesstrust)

## DONATIONS VIA BANK TRANSFER

Donations can be made direct into our bank by using the following details:

Account name: **Dental Wellness Trust**

Account Number: **17379291**

Sort Code: **23-05-80**

## DONATIONS FROM TRUSTS AND FUNDS

We have many projects, where your help could make a big difference to what we can achieve. Funding can be given to support specific projects or indeed geographical areas. To find out how your Trust or Foundation could support our work please contact

[funding@dentalwellnesstrust.org](mailto:funding@dentalwellnesstrust.org)

## CORPORATE SUPPORT

We have many projects with branding opportunities, requirements for dental health products and a need for volunteering and funds to support our core costs. There are many ways that you could help to improve the dental health and wellbeing of very many children and young people.

To discuss how your Company could support our work please contact [funding@dentalwellnesstrust.org](mailto:funding@dentalwellnesstrust.org)

## VOLUNTEER

If you are a dental professional and wish to help with our screening and outreach, please email [charity@dentalwellnesstrust.org](mailto:charity@dentalwellnesstrust.org) for further information.





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