



Riverbank Nursery Toothbrushing Policy

In Nursery we take part in the Childsmile Nursery and School toothbrushing programme. The purpose of this programme is to improve the oral health of Children in Scotland. Children are provided with toothbrushes and toothpaste and they take part in daily, supervised toothbrushing. Nursery staff members are trained in effective toothbrushing and infection control procedures and performance against the Toothbrushing Standards is monitored twice a year by a member of the Childsmile Team.

In Nursery the children brush their teeth as part of a whole group activity: all children are brushing teeth at the same time. They are divided into groups of 10 and supervised by the Key Worker for their colour group.

Children whose parents do not give permission for toothbrushing with fluoride toothpaste are given the opportunity, in discussion with parents, to dry brush their teeth with the rest of the group.