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Warwickshire Early Years Oral Health



Oral Health Promotion Week - Day One

Monday: Introduction to the importance of our teeth: An overview of five key oral health messages











Group time Planning: For 2-3 year old groups

The resources you'll need to run this session:

- 1. "Peppa Pig Dentist Trip" book. This book is available in local Warwickshire libraries ISBN-10: 1409301931).
- 2. Five key oral health messages flyer, Day 1 (see Section 1, 7.1 of Warwickshire Early Years Oral Health Resource Pack).
- 3. iPad/Tablet/Digital camera/printer.
- 4. Laminated image of teeth (see Section 1, 9 of Warwickshire Early Years Oral Health Resource Pack).
- 5. Dinosaur Puppet bought, made or a picture.
- 6. Photograph/s of educator's smile and teeth, or a picture of someone else's teeth.
- 7. Print out of children's teeth.



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Learning Intention: Early Years Outcomes	Activity	How to adapt for children of different abilities	Evaluation
Five key oral health messages: 1. Reduce the amount and frequency of sugary foods and drinks – only give at meal times. 2. Choose milk and water to drink – they're kinder to teeth. 3. Visit the dentist when the first tooth appears and then as often as your dentist recommends. 4. Brush teeth twice a day with fluoride toothpaste – last thing at night and on one other occasion.	 Read 'Peppa Pig Dentist Trip' book as an introduction to the dentist and teeth. "Say Cheese" activity: Show children photos of the character "Mr Dinosaur Teeth" and the educator's smile and teeth (Mr Dinosaur Teeth is a character in the Peppa Pig Dentist Trip book). Alternatively, you could show the children a picture of any animal with teeth showing. Talk about how our teeth show when we smile. You could use a dinosaur puppet to show the smile. Ask the children if they'd like to copy the puppet's smile. Take photos of each child "saying cheese" and smiling on a digital camera/iPad, and share them in the group. Children to take these photographs with support. Talk about the important jobs our teeth perform - strong healthy teeth help us chew food, speak clearly and have bright smiles. Ask children "What can we do to help our teeth 		Evaluation
5. Spit out; don't rinse the fluoride toothpaste away!	to do their job?" Show the 5 key oral health images (use the 5 oral health messages flyer) to the children, to visually support them in understanding each of the 5 key messages.		

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EYFS DEVELOPMENT MATTERS 16-26 months – Physical development Develops own likes and dislikes in food and drink. 22-36 months – Physical development Beginning to be independent in self-care, but still often needs adult support. 30-50 months – Physical development Can usually manage washing and drying hands. Characteristics of Effective Learning (source: EYFS Development Matters) Please see: https://foundationyears.org.uk/ files/2012/03/Development-Matters-FINAL- PRINT-AMENDED.pdf for more information on the characteristics of effective learning.	 5. Print out wallet size photos of each "say cheese" picture, to send home with the 5 key oral health messages flyer (see Section 1, 7.1 of Resource Pack). 6. Put photos up of the children's teeth in the environment or/and make a little book for each child. Other activities you may want to do in your setting: Have an area set up with the Peppa Pig Dentist Trip book, puppets, soft toys, large toothbrush and teeth. Put images of the children's teeth and educator's teeth on display and/or in a book. 		
Playing and exploring Show curiosity about objects, events and people. Active Learning Maintaining focus on their activity for a period of time. Creativity and critical thinking Finding new ways to do things.			