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Dear Parent / Guardian,

Re: School Dental Screening

A community dentist will shortly be visiting the school to carry out a simple screening. This screening is not a full dental check and will not interfere with any arrangements you have made for the care of your child's teeth. Following the screening you will be informed if the dentist feels that your child would benefit from a more detailed examination in a dental surgery. The screening will also help provide information to improve local services. On occasion we may need to share information about your child's dental health with other healthcare or education professionals who are involved in your child's care.

Most parents are happy for their children to take part in the screening which only takes a few minutes. The dentist provides a simple exam wearing a pair of disposable, clean gloves and a fluid resistant mask, using an individual, sterile, mouth mirror for each child included in the screening. Please be assured that with regards to the Covid 19 pandemic, will we carry out the dental examinations in your school following advice that aligns with national and local infection prevention and control guidance.

Please sign and return the slip below to school within one week of receipt of this letter stating whether or not you would like your child to be screened.

If you require any further information please contact the clinic at the above address.

Yours faithfully,

Clare Cowland – Senior Dental Officer

Reply form to be returned to school

School:

Child's name: **Class:** **Age:**

I consent to my child attending the school dental screening

I do not consent to my child attending the school dental screening

Please tick one box

My child sees a dentist on a regular basis **Yes / No** **Please circle**

Name of dentist/practice:

Signature **Date:**
Parent/Guardian