

Dear Parent/ Guardian,

I am writing to inform regarding the dental access pilot in Littleborough for children in primary school.

**There is current availability at Littleborough Dental Practice on Featherstall Road. The pilot is for children who have not attended a dentist in the last 12 months.**

[**Littleborough Dental Practice**](https://www.bing.com/ck/a?!&&p=05d033d9e63c1e53JmltdHM9MTY3MzU2ODAwMCZpZ3VpZD0yNjQwNjc2Yi04YjdhLTYzYWYtMjhiOS03NzcyOGFjMTYyOTMmaW5zaWQ9NTQ1MA&ptn=3&hsh=3&fclid=2640676b-8b7a-63af-28b9-77728ac16293&psq=littleborough+dental+practice&u=a1aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cubGl0dGxlYm9yb3VnaGRlbnRhbHByYWN0aWNlLmNvLnVrLw&ntb=1)

www.littleboroughdentalpractice.co.uk

[Littleborough Dental Practice 115 Featherstall Road, Littleborough, Rochdale OL15 8JZ](https://www.bing.com/local?lid=YN1029x100328670&id=YN1029x100328670&q=Littleborough+Dental+Practice&name=Littleborough+Dental+Practice&cp=53.641937255859375%7e-2.1074020862579346&ppois=53.641937255859375_-2.1074020862579346_Littleborough+Dental+Practice)

[01706 376523](https://www.bing.com/ck/a?!&&p=e38c82351ef2de66JmltdHM9MTY3MzU2ODAwMCZpZ3VpZD0yNjQwNjc2Yi04YjdhLTYzYWYtMjhiOS03NzcyOGFjMTYyOTMmaW5zaWQ9NTQ1Mg&ptn=3&hsh=3&fclid=2640676b-8b7a-63af-28b9-77728ac16293&psq=littleborough+dental+practice&u=a1dGVsOjAxNzA2Mzc2NTIz&ntb=1)

It was highlighted that Heywood, Middleton and Rochdale have poor oral health in children aged 5, following a national dental survey. The aim of the programme is to help support dental access for children and help you to reduce dental decay (holes) in your children’s teeth.

The dentist or dental nurse may also apply fluoride varnish to your child’s teeth after gaining consent from the child/parent. Fluoride varnish is a thin layer that is applied to your child’s teeth, and it helps strengthen tooth enamel. The fluoride varnish is golden yellow in appearance. It tastes and smells very pleasant As a result it is accepted by children.

**To help access to the dentist, if you have a dental appointment and are unable to attend it is vital that you inform the dentist of your need to cancel and if required to re arrange for another time, the dentist can then offer this to someone else, please help to keep access open as much as possible at this very busy time.**

Regards

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