Dear Parent /Guardian,

Re: Free School Dental Clinic- Medicare Child Dental Benefits Schedule

The Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS) commenced on 1 January 2014 and provides access to benefits for basic dental services for children aged between two and seventeen years of age. The total benefit entitlement is capped at $1,000 per child over a two calendar year period.

Alpha Mobile Dentistry will be visiting your child's school and scheduling a bulk billed dental clinic for eligible children under the *CDBS. To be eligible for Free dental treatment you or your child needs to either be receiving one of the following:

- Family Tax Benefit Part A
- Parenting Payment
- Double Orphan Pension
- Carer Payment
- Disability Support Pension
- Special Benefit
- Youth Allowance
- Abstudy

Alpha Dental will check eligibility and advise parents who are unsure if they are able to have their child's treatment bulk billed through Medicare.

Students, who do not qualify for treatment under this dental scheme, can be seen as private patients and will be billed at the equivalent Medicare dental rates. (Check with your private health fund, as you may be eligible to claim back part or all of this cost).

Our dental team will provide access to the following dental services during school hours:

- Comprehensive Oral Examinations
- Removal of plaque and calculus (hardened plaque)
- X-rays and fillings
- Fissure sealing and tooth treatments
- Dental care plans

Your child will receive quality dental treatment from our dental team, all of whom are police and working with children certified. Children requiring more extensive dental treatment will be referred for specialist follow up.
In order for your child to be seen by one of our Dentists you must complete and return the consent & medical history forms to the school signed by a parent or guardian.

**Checklist**

1. Carefully read the attached consent forms
2. Complete all the relevant sections on the forms
3. Return to the school within 7 days

Alpha Mobile Dentistry can not see your child if the consent forms have not been completed correctly.

Note: Your child will be issued with a dental care plan following their visit to one of our mobile dental clinics.

For additional information about Alpha Dental visit our website
www.alphadental.com.au

Yours Sincerely,

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Simon Tirchett
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Alpha Mobile Dental

* The CDBS has a means test, which requires receipt of Family Tax Benefit Part A (FTB-A) or a relevant Australian Government payment.*