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Dear Parent/Carer

After the Christmas holidays we will be taking part in the 'Lincolnshire Smiles' teeth brushing programme.

'Lincolnshire Smiles' is a county-wide, supervised toothbrushing initiative for nurseries and schools which is designed to reduce dental decay in our children.

Your child will be brushing their own teeth daily with fluoride toothpaste under the supervision of the school staff. It is important that your child's toothbrushing at home is supervised by an adult, both in the morning and last thing at night before bed. Brushing before bedtime is especially important in order to prevent tooth decay. We will be providing every child in school with a toothbrush and toothpaste; these resources have been kindly donated by Colgate. Please continue to help your child/children to brush their teeth at home with fluoride toothpaste.

In order for your child to take part, please can you **complete and return the form** below by no later than **Monday 9th December**. Dental staff from the Community Dental Service will be coming into school to talk to the children about oral health and the children will practise with their own toothbrushes. All toothbrushes and toothpaste are provided by Lincolnshire smiles and will remain in school. Just to reassure you, all the toothbrushes are named, have their own character ID and will be kept in a toothbrush rack so that there is no cross-contamination. Toothbrushes are replaced every term and the project will enable children to have a greater understanding of the importance of good dental hygiene.

We are really excited about getting started and we know our children will be too!

Kind regards

Mrs Basker

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Parent/Carer consent form

I give my permission for my child to brush their teeth every day at school as part of the FREE 'Lincolnshire Smiles' supervised tooth-brushing programme using a fluoride toothpaste.

Name of Child	
Class	
Parent/Carer signature	
Date	