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Dear Parent / Guardian

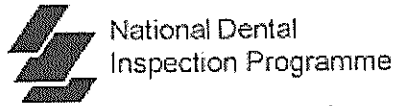
**Re: School Dental Inspections 2021/22**

The NHS in Scotland runs a programme of dental inspections of children in local authority schools. This academic year (2021/22), the plan is to carry out dental inspections of Primary 1 children. The programme is operated by the NHS in Scotland via the Health Boards and Public Health Scotland (PHS). The inspections are carried out by your local Health Board, NHS GG&C. The clinical team is made up of a dentist or dental therapist and dental nurse. All such staff are employed by NHS GG&C. High standards of hygiene are followed and no X-rays are taken.

Dental inspection information that identifies your child will be used by NHS GG&C to tell you about your child's dental health and need for dental care. If your child is registered with an NHS dentist, NHS GG&C may also tell the dentist about the findings. If your child is not registered with an NHS dentist, NHS GG&C may offer you help in finding a dentist for your child.

NHS GG&C will share the findings with PHS. PHS will use the dental inspection information to help with the planning and delivery of NHS dental services across Scotland. Occasionally, NHS GG&C and/or PHS will use the information to carry out research. The inspection information is anonymised for these other purposes where at all possible.

If you have any queries in relation to the inspection programme, please call the above telephone number.



If you **do not want your child** to have this dental inspection, please write to us at the above address/your child's school within one week of receiving this letter.

Please include your child's name, school and class in the letter.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'MRS' followed by a large, stylized loop.

The legal basis for NHS GG&C and PHS using your child's dental inspection information is to promote and improve the health of your child and other patients and/or to manage the NHS health care system and services in Scotland.

You have various rights in relation to your child's information; please see the Data Protection pages of NHS GG&C at [www.nhsggc.org.uk](http://www.nhsggc.org.uk) and NHS PHSat <https://publichealthscotland.scot/our-privacy-notice/your-rights/> for further information and the period for which the information will be held. Contact details for those organisations can also be found via those links. If you need help to access this information, please contact [0141 2014218](tel:01412014218). Further information is available at:

<https://www.nhsinform.scot/care-support-and-rights/health-rights/confidentiality-and-data-protection/how-the-nhs-handles-your-personal-health-information>