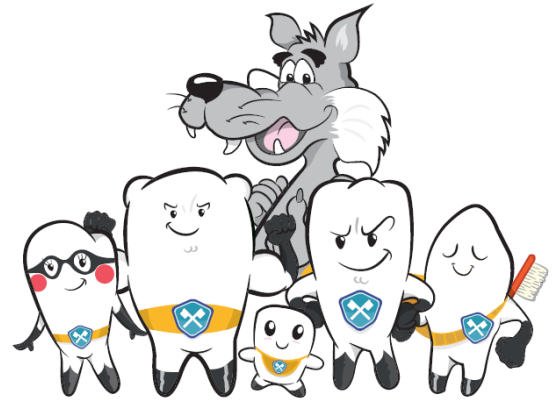




## GUIDELINES

### The Teeth Team Tooth Brushing Programme



1. Staff are responsible for the tooth brushing programme on a daily basis and all staff should be familiar with the Core Standards.
2. Tooth brushing programmes must be supervised by a member of staff.
3. Each child will be allocated his/her own brush which corresponds to the colours/symbol on the storage system.
4. A member of staff will be responsible for placing the fluoride toothpaste (a pea sized amount) on to a paper towel before transferring to a dry toothbrush.  
(1450 ppm fluoride toothpaste will be used).
5. Children should be asked to swallow any saliva in their mouth prior to commencing brushing and should be encouraged to use the paper towel to wipe away any excess toothpaste afterwards.
6. Rinsing out should be discouraged.
7. Toothbrushes should be rinsed thoroughly under cold running water before replacing them in the storage system. Brushes should not be soaked in Milton's diluted solution.
8. Storage systems require regular cleaning once a week, by staff, using only warm water and household detergent.

**Thank you for your help and co-operation.**