



Hello Everyone and welcome to our newsletter for Spring! It has been an extremely cold and bitter Winter this year with fortunately, more rain and snow than previous ones which will hopefully alleviate the drought a little. Weren't the Beijing Olympics special and didn't the Australian athletes do us proud? Now that they are over, there doesn't seem to be as much on the Television anymore! My children certainly enjoyed them especially Alex, as he was only a baby when the last Olympics were on. Congratulations to our very own Adriana on becoming engaged to the man of her dreams- Abner! Don't forget to ask her to show you her ring the next time you are in! I hope all of you will participate in our Christmas project this year. Last year, we donated 50 boxes from our practice. Can we try to make it 100 this year? Hope to see you soon!

SPRING CLEAN SPECIAL

It's that time of year again so in order to celebrate the spring cleaning season we are offering a special to our

Patients that come in during these next few months to have a check-up and scale and clean done you will have the opportunity to purchase a Colgate pack valued at \$17.00 retail for only **\$7.00**.

That is a saving of \$10.00! The pack includes a toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss and a mouthwash.

Hurry in as stocks are limited!



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

This will be the 4th year that Oakleigh Dental Centre has participated in this wonderful program run by Samaritan's Purse. **Operation Christmas Child** brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations around the world through gift-filled shoe boxes and the Good News of God's love. Shoe boxes are packed, shipped, and delivered across the globe to places like Ethiopia, Cambodia and Vietnam. People of all ages can be involved in this simple, hands-on missions project, while focusing on the true meaning of Christmas.

All you have to do is:

- 1 -Find an empty shoe box (18x 30x 13cm) wrap the lid and box separately with colourful paper.
- 2 -Determine who your gift will be for: sex, age of child. Attach a boy or girl label. (labels available at our practice).
- 3 -Fill the box with a one or more items from the following list:

Something to love -Teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.

Something for school -Exercise book, pencil case, pens pencils, coloured pencils, etc.

Something to Wear-T-shirt, shorts, underwear cap, sandals, etc.

Something to play with -Tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, yo-yo, etc. (no battery operated items)

Something for personal hygiene - Soap, face washer, toothbrush, hair brush hair clips, etc. (no toothpaste)

Something Special -Carry bag, sunglasses, stickers, note or photo of yourself, etc.

- 4 - Drop your box at our dental practice by no later than 3rd of November 2008.

This year we would like as many of our patients as possible to send a Christmas box to a child in need. Oakleigh Dental Centre are going to take care of the \$8.00 per box, freight and shipping cost. So start getting your boxes ready and get them in as soon as possible!



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Ever wanted to get your teeth straightened but were afraid it might hurt or cost too much?

Our practice now offers Invisalign® – the exciting new way to straighten your teeth without braces.

Invisalign® is an exciting new way to straighten your teeth with a series of clear, customized, removable aligners without metal wires or brackets. The aligner is a thin piece of medical grade plastic that fits over the teeth like a glove would fit on a hand. Hardly anyone can tell you're going through treatment and because the aligners are removable, you can eat whatever you want during treatment.

Invisalign has been proven effective in clinical research and in orthodontic and dental practices worldwide. Patients wear each set of Aligners for about 2 weeks. As the patient replaces each Aligner with the next in the series, their teeth move—little by little, week by week—until they have straightened to the final position the dentist has prescribed. Because aligners move the teeth incrementally over 2 week periods any soreness is mild and subsides after a few days. Aligners are worn night and day except when eating, brushing or flossing.

Patients visit their dentist (who has to have accreditation with the Invisalign training program), once every 6 weeks or so to ensure that treatment is progressing as planned and to receive their next few sets of Aligners. Average cost of treatment ranges from \$5500 to \$7500 depending on the complexity of your case, which is comparable to metal, clear or ceramic braces. All Health Fund Policy which covers orthodontics will cover Invisalign as well. Finance options are available through our practice to help you afford the treatment.

Treatment time will vary depending on the amount of crowding and what we are trying to achieve. In most cases, Invisalign cases will finish in approximately the same time as conventional orthodontics. Invisalign works on both teenagers and adults.

To see if Invisalign is right for you, call us at [9568 8142](tel:95688142) to schedule a consultation.

SPECIAL: For the months of Spring and Summer, Oakleigh Dental Centre will be giving away a free home bleaching kit valued at \$500 for each new case of Invisalign started in these months. This way you will not only get straighter teeth and a new smile but also a whiter one as well!

