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PRACTICE TERMINOLOGY AND PARENT GUIDELINES

Dear parents,

In order to improve the chances of your child having a positive experience in our office, we are selective in our use of words. We try to avoid words that scare the child due to previous experiences. Please support us by NOT USING negative words that are often used for dental care. These include:

DON'T USE	OUR EQUIVALENT
Needle or Shot	Sleepy Juice
Drill	Whistle
Drill on Tooth	Clean a Tooth
Pull or Yank Tooth	Wiggle a Tooth Out
Decay or Cavity	Sugar Bug
Examination	Counting Teeth
Tooth Cleaning	Tickle Teeth
Explorer	Toothpick
Gas	Magic Air

This will help you understand your child's description of the dental experience. Our intention is to create an experience that is positive. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us build a good attitude for your child!

You may choose whether or not to remain in the waiting room during your child's filling appointment. Although we sense that some children do better without parents present, we are open to having you with your child. If you choose to be present, we suggest the following guidelines to improve changes of positive outcomes.

- 1. Allow us to prepare your child.
- 2. Be supportive of the practice's terminology.
- 3. Please be a silent observer-support your child with touches
- 4. If asked to leave be ready to immediately walk away as we will continue to support you child at all times.

Parent Signature:	Date: