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Nearly every child hits an awkward stage at some point in their development. A great example is the transition period between a mouth full of baby teeth and having a complete adult smile. p. 02

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Over the last several months, so many of you have shown Dentistry for Children an abundance of love, gratitude and support. It means more than you know. We could not have gotten through this year without all of you. p.03

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Dentistry for Children is a dental office that manifests the sensibilities and personal care of its Founders and Doctors, Dr. Walter Stillwell, Dr. Jay McCaslin V, Dr. Silas McCaslin, Dr. Jay McCaslin VI, Dr. Byron Colley III, Dr. Steve Sample, and Dr. Bracey Holland. The practice inspires families to set good examples of oral care and appreciate the magic of a smile forever.

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WHY DO SOME CHILDREN HAVE TWO ROWS OF TEETH?

One complication that's relatively common during this phase is the development of "shark teeth." This occurs when the baby teeth don't fall out on schedule and the permanent teeth come in behind them. This results in a double row of teeth that's often concerning for both kids and parents.

Normally, the permanent teeth develop just underneath the baby tooth. When the permanent teeth are ready to come in, they begin to dissolve out the baby tooth root, eventually causing the baby tooth to become loose. The goal is for the permanent tooth to occupy the exact same spot in the mouth as the baby tooth occupied. While it can be somewhat alarming to see "shark teeth" in your child, don't worry – it's quite common!

The way you handle shark teeth depends on the baby tooth. If it's even a little loose, have your child try to wiggle it several times a day to further loosen it. In many of these cases, the baby tooth will eventually fall out on its own, and the permanent tooth will move into place. However, if the baby tooth isn't loose and feels very solid, make an appointment with a pediatric dentist to have it looked at. After evaluating your child's teeth, they'll make the best recommendation, which could include extracting the baby tooth or simply giving it time to become loose on its own.

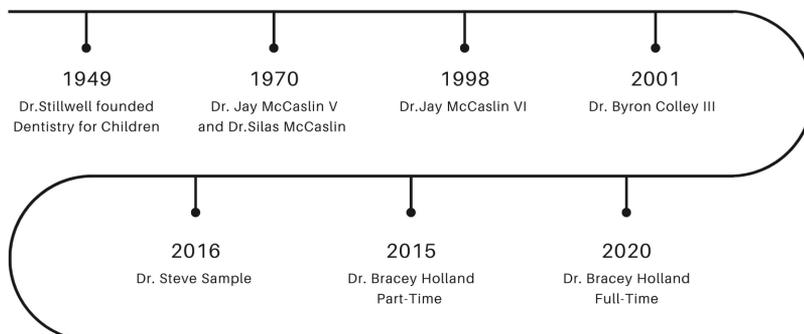
As a parent, it's natural to be worried when you see an extra row of teeth in your child. By knowing that it's not only common but also easy to handle, you can rest a lot easier!

OUR HISTORY

We value you as parents of patients and are committed to providing excellent dental care. Our staff works hard to create a warm and welcoming environment, where we've been serving Savannah and other surrounding areas for over seventy years. At Dentistry for Children and Adolescents, we believe that everyone is entitled to a beautiful smile and healthy teeth that last a lifetime. We treat each other like family. Our patients and employees are the heart and soul of our practice, and we are committed to them and their communities.

Dentistry for Children was established in 1949 in an effort to serve a vast community. You can rest assured that you are in good hands with Dentistry for Children. Our office utilizes the latest in state-of-the-art dental technology and strictly maintains a sterile environment for your care. All of our dentists and staff continue to stay up to date of the latest advancements in dentistry to provide you with the highest level of care available. Dentistry for Children continues to be a safe dental home for families and works with patients and parents personally at each visit to help evoke the magic of that smile forever.

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2020 was a year of learning and growth for Dentistry for Children. Some highlights of what we've been up to this last year:

We introduced a new scheduling system, Lighthouse 360. This quickly became a more effective way to communicate and help with patient care.

Navigated through a pandemic and implemented protocols to ensure our patients, our team, and our communities had a safe, clean environment for all their dental needs.

Our doctor team grew with Dr. Holland practicing full time at DFCAA, bringing with him valuable experience in general dentistry to better serve our adolescent patients with permanent restorations.

We did special contests with parents and patients throughout the year. The pumpkin painting contest was the clear favorite this year!

Extended our WIFI range to reach families waiting in their vehicles due to COVID protocols.

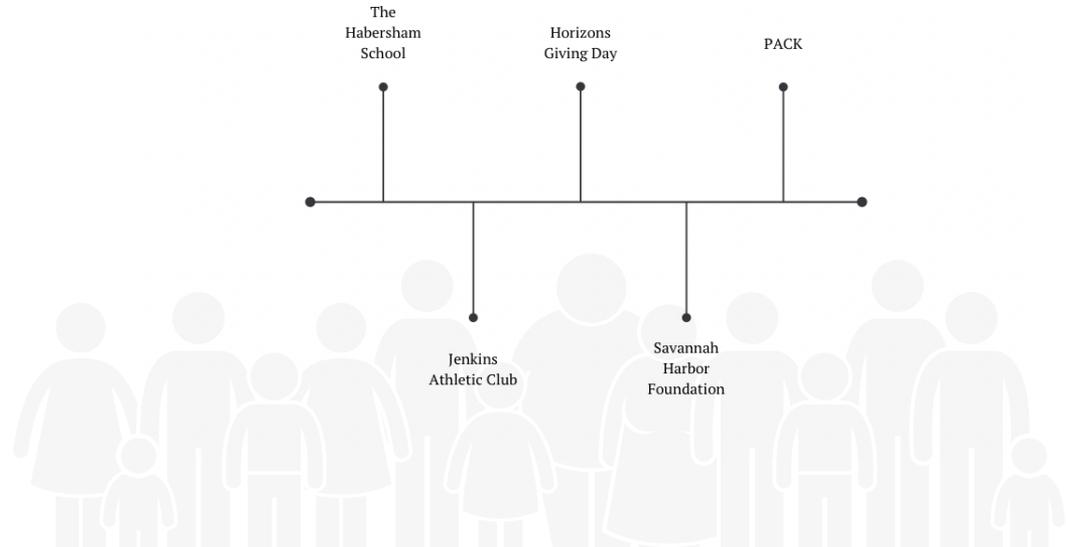
Partnered with the Savannah Cultural Arts Center and Growing Good to create an instructional video on growing healthy teeth.

Proudly watched several employees reach anniversary milestones with us.

We welcomed a new hygienist to DFCAA, Kymber. She loves meeting new patients and hearing their stories.

Continued education courses with prophy classes, expanded functions certification courses, CPR classes, OSHA training, and nitrous certification courses.

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MERTICE HALL LEAD HYGIENIST

My passion and my drive for working at DFCAA for more than 25 years is for the patients. Being able to serve them in this capacity on a daily basis brings me joy in knowing that have made a difference in the oral health. I have also gained and developed meaningful relationships with both patients and my coworkers.

THERESA LEE LEAD DENTAL ASSISTANT

For nearly 25 years, I wake up every morning and enjoy going to work, because I love what I do. I love my job, my bosses are amazing ! My coworkers are great and we all work together as a team to get the job done. I have a heartfelt love for Children. It's very rewarding to get a child out of pain, or give one a new smile, not to mention making a parent happy. Children are so fun to talk to. You never know what to expect. They are the most beautiful God made creatures.

KRISTIN KING OFFICE MANAGER

Seeing so many children mature to amazing young adults is so very inspiring. I love that no single day at Dentistry for Children is the same, seeing old and new faces and smiles! Helping children and their families is the most rewarding job I can think of.

As we begin this pivotal year, we want to personally thank you for your support and, more importantly, your community this past year. Through it all, you continued to make Dentistry for Children your dental home, and you trusted us with your little ones. It is, and will always be, our greatest honor and privilege to serve you in this way.

