

PROCEDURES AND APPOINTMENT SCHEDULING

You or your child will undergo a half hour routine pre-treatment orthodontic examination followed by a brief discussion.

If required and time allows and you are happy to proceed a full orthodontic investigation is then carried out. This will include X-rays, photographs and impressions for study models. Otherwise a half hour orthodontic records appointment is scheduled at a later date.

These records are carefully analysed and a treatment plan formulated.

This treatment plan is then presented and discussed with you at a subsequent appointment. You will have the option of having your braces fitted immediately after this appointment or you may want time to consider the treatment proposals and have your braces fitted later.

Once the brace has been fitted time is then spent explaining in great detail how to care for your brace and your teeth during the active treatment period. Co-operation in this regard is highly essential to ensure the success of your treatment.

The orthodontic brace is adjusted periodically at 6 to 8 week intervals until the teeth are aligned to our mutual satisfaction.

The first consultation appointment, the orthodontic records, the treatment plan discussion and the fitting of the braces are all lengthy procedures taking from half an hour to an hour and half to complete.

The adjustment appointments are shorter and take from 10 to 15 minutes.

In order for our time to be managed as effectively and as efficiently as possible the long appointments will be confined to the mornings only while the adjustment appointments will be confined to the afternoons.

All adult patient appointments will be scheduled in the mornings only.

If you have any queries with the above procedures please do not hesitate to discuss this with a member of staff.

I look forward to attending to your orthodontic needs.

Dr Renton Tindall