

## Children break out in smile on the way to the dentist

IT'S near impossible to picture a pleasant dental experience.

But with surgery suites featuring floor-to-ceiling windows overlooking a tranquil garden, The Smile Team's practice has been purpose-designed for patient relaxation.

With magazines for all ages, computer games and movies on hand, the hard part is not always getting the children there — it's getting them to leave, says Dr Bradley Xue, who owns the practice with his wife, Dr Julie Khuoc.

"Dental teams are recognising the importance of a positive dental experience, personalised caring dentistry, rather than drill-and-fill and the in-and-out of the chair dentistry of old," Dr Xue said.

"The result is that patients can now enjoy their dental visits, which in turn gives them a good feeling about dentistry, leading to better dental health.

"It's not uncommon to have a patient either nod off to sleep, or giggle at a comedy show on the TV while having their treatment."

The surgery offers a range of general dental and cosmetic treatments such as light-activated system Zoom Whitening.

Dr Xue recommends dental check ups every six months to help identify problems early on, minimising the time and amount of treatment needed to fix them.

The Smile Team is at 11 Doncaster Rd, Balwyn North. Open: Monday to Friday, 8.45am-5.45pm, Saturday, 10am-5pm.

» **For appointments and after-hours emergencies, phone: 9859 8517**



**The Smile Team: Dr Bradley Xue, back, Dr Julie Khuoc, Dr Peter Nipe and Caitlin, front, Keryn, Gay and Chloe.**

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