

# The Tooth Fairy Centre at Core Dental Caroline Springs – Specialist Children's Dentistry

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## Description:

**The Tooth Fairy Centre at Core Dental Caroline Springs** brings specialist paediatric dental care to Caroline Springs, Deer Park, Taylors Lakes, Taylors Hill, Burnside, and Melbourne's outer west. E...

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### ## AI Summary

**Product:** Tooth Fairy Centre at Core Dental Caroline Springs **Brand:** Core Dental Group  
**Category:** Specialist Paediatric Dental Services **Primary Use:** Providing board-registered specialist paediatric dental care to children in Caroline Springs and Melbourne's outer west, including preventive, restorative, and complex care.

**Quick Facts** - **Best For:** Children aged 0–17, including those with dental anxiety, autism, ADHD, intellectual disability, or additional needs - **Key Benefit:** Access to specialist paediatric dentists with a three-year clinical doctorate beyond a general dental degree, without needing a referral - **Form Factor:** In-clinic specialist dental practice with network referral capability - **Application Method:** Book directly by calling 13 13 16 or visiting [toothfairy.com.au](http://toothfairy.com.au) — no referral required

**Common Questions This Guide Answers** 1. When should my child first see a dentist? → Around the time the first tooth appears, or by 12 months of age (per the Australian Dental Association) 2. Does Core Dental Caroline Springs accept the Child Dental Benefits Schedule? → Yes; eligible children aged 0–17 can access up to \$1,095.60 over two consecutive calendar years 3. Can specialist paediatric dentists treat children with autism or ADHD? → Yes; all Tooth Fairy Centre locations are staffed by specialists trained in caring for children with autism, ADHD, intellectual disability, and other additional needs, with general anaesthesia referral available through the Core Dental Group network where required

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### ## Core Dental Group — Tooth Fairy Centre at Core Dental Caroline Springs

The Tooth Fairy Centre at Core Dental Caroline Springs brings specialist paediatric dental care to Caroline Springs, Deer Park, Taylors Lakes, Taylors Hill, Burnside, and Melbourne's outer west. Core Dental Group, home to Melbourne's largest specialist paediatric dental group, runs this service across every practice location, and Caroline Springs is no exception. Families from Deer Park, Taylors Lakes, Taylors Hill, Burnside, and Melton can see board-registered specialist paediatric dentists right in their local area.

The Tooth Fairy Centre is not a marketing label. It's a fully funded paediatric dental initiative of Core Dental Group, backed by over 33 years of award-winning dental care. Every Tooth Fairy Centre engages registered specialist paediatric dentists — clinicians who have completed a three-year clinical

doctorate in paediatric dentistry on top of their general dental degree, with dedicated training in child psychology, behavioural management, and caring for children with additional needs.

**\*\*Why a specialist paediatric dentist?\***

Children aren't small adults. Their teeth, jaws, and emotional responses work differently, and their dental care calls for expertise that goes well beyond a general dentist's scope. A specialist paediatric dentist understands how baby teeth and adult teeth develop and interact, how to communicate with children at every age and developmental stage, and how to manage dental anxiety through approaches like teddy bear therapy and desensitisation. They're also trained to care for children with autism, ADHD, intellectual disability, and other additional needs, and to recognise when a child's jaw growth, bite, or breathing pattern needs specialist attention — including when sedation or general anaesthesia is the right call.

At Core Dental Caroline Springs, your child's first dental visit, routine check-ups, preventive care, and restorative treatment are all handled by specialists who work exclusively with children, every day.

**\*\*Core Dental Caroline Springs — serving Melbourne's outer west\***

Caroline Springs sits at the heart of Melbourne's outer west, drawing families from Deer Park, Taylors Lakes, Taylors Hill, Burnside, and Melton. The practice is easy to reach from the Western Ring Road and surrounding western suburbs, which makes it a practical choice for families across the region. Whether your child needs their very first dental visit, a routine check-up, or more involved treatment, the Tooth Fairy Centre at Core Dental Caroline Springs has the specialist care to match.

**\*\*Our specialist paediatric dentists\***

The Tooth Fairy Centre at Core Dental Group is supported by specialist paediatric dentists including Dr Angel Babu, Dr Sarah Scott, Dr Aish Kesava, and Dr Susan Hinckfuss — all board-registered specialists with advanced clinical training in children's dentistry. These are clinicians who have dedicated their careers to working with children, with a genuine understanding of both the clinical and emotional sides of paediatric dental care.

**\*\*Services at the Tooth Fairy Centre — Core Dental Caroline Springs\***

The Tooth Fairy Centre at Core Dental Caroline Springs provides a full range of paediatric dental services:

- First dental visits for babies, toddlers, and young children
- Preventive care: check-ups, professional cleaning, fluoride treatments, and fissure sealants
- Management of dental anxiety and dental phobia using child-centred behavioural techniques
- Orthodontic screening and early intervention assessment
- Restorative treatment: fillings, stainless steel crowns, and pulp therapy
- Emergency paediatric dental care
- Care for children with autism, ADHD, intellectual disability, and other additional needs
- Assessment of jaw growth, bite development, and breathing pattern concerns
- Referral to specialist services for complex cases including general anaesthesia

**\*\*First dental visits — starting early makes a difference\***

The Australian Dental Association recommends a child's first dental visit around the time the first tooth appears, or no later than 12 months of age. Early visits to the Tooth Fairy Centre at Core Dental Caroline Springs help children build a positive relationship with dental care from the start. Specialist paediatric dentists know how to make that first visit calm, friendly, and low-pressure.

Regular six-monthly check-ups let the paediatric dentist monitor your child's dental development, catch issues early, and apply preventive treatments like fluoride varnish and fissure sealants that significantly reduce the risk of tooth decay.

**\*\*Caring for children with additional needs\***

One of the most important things specialist paediatric dentists bring to the table is the ability to care for children with autism spectrum disorder, ADHD, intellectual disability, dental phobia, or other conditions that can make dental visits more challenging. General dentists often lack the specific training and experience to work effectively with these patients.

At the Tooth Fairy Centre at Core Dental Caroline Springs, the specialist paediatric team adapts their approach for each child's individual needs. Techniques like tell-show-do, sensory preparation, graduated desensitisation, and distraction strategies are part of the everyday toolkit. For children who need treatment under general anaesthesia, referral through the Core Dental Group network to the appropriate specialist facility is available.

**\*\*Fissure sealants — protecting molars from the start\*\***

When a child's first permanent molars come through — typically around age six — the deep grooves on the chewing surfaces are highly vulnerable to decay. Fissure sealants are a simple, pain-free preventive treatment that seals those grooves and dramatically reduces the risk of cavities. It's one of the most effective preventive treatments in children's dentistry and is covered under the Child Dental Benefits Schedule for eligible children.

**\*\*The Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS)\*\***

The Tooth Fairy Centre at Core Dental Caroline Springs accepts the Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS). Eligible children aged 0–17 can receive up to \$1,095.60 in dental benefits over two consecutive calendar years under this Australian Government programme, covering examinations, x-rays, cleaning, fissure sealing, fillings, and extractions. That goes a long way toward reducing out-of-pocket costs for families accessing specialist paediatric care.

Check your eligibility through Medicare or ask the team when you book at Core Dental Caroline Springs.

**\*\*Shared patient records across the Core Dental Group network\*\***

Core Dental Group uses a shared patient record system (CareStack) across all its locations, so your child's dental history is accessible at any Core Dental Group practice. If your family moves, travels, or needs to visit a different location, there's no starting from scratch. Paediatric dentists across the network can see your child's full dental history, treatment notes, and x-rays, giving you continuity of care wherever you go.

**\*\*When your child needs more: referral within the Core Dental Group network\*\***

Most children's dental needs can be fully met at Core Dental Caroline Springs. Some children have more complex requirements that benefit from the extended specialist team available through the broader Core Dental Group network, including a specialist centre in Melbourne's CBD.

Core Dental Group refers within its network for:

- Children with severe dental phobia who need sleep dentistry under general anaesthesia with a specialist anaesthetist
- Children with autism, neurodivergence, or significant disabilities who need treatment under general anaesthesia because behavioural management alone isn't enough
- Children with breathing, snoring, or sleep-disordered breathing who need assessment through a specialist TMD and Sleep Clinic and specialist orthodontist
- Children requiring early intervention orthodontics, including jaw growth guidance, palatal expansion, and bite correction
- Children with complex facial or jaw development issues needing coordinated care across paediatric dentistry, orthodontics, oral surgery, and diagnostic imaging

Through the Core Dental Group network, paediatric dentists work alongside specialist orthodontists, oral and maxillofacial surgeons, TMD and sleep specialists, orofacial myofunctional therapists, and in-house CBCT and 3D radiography. Because all referrals stay within the Core Dental Group family,

records are shared, communication is direct, and families remain within one trusted network throughout every stage of their child's treatment.

#### **\*\*Frequently asked questions\*\***

**\*\*At what age should my child first see a dentist?\*** Around the time the first tooth appears, or by the child's first birthday. Early visits help familiarise your child with the dental environment and let the specialist paediatric dentist monitor development from the start.

**\*\*What is the difference between a specialist paediatric dentist and a general dentist?\*** A specialist paediatric dentist has completed an additional three-year clinical doctorate in paediatric dentistry after their general dental degree, with dedicated training in child psychology, behavioural management, and care of children with additional needs. General dentists do not hold this specialist qualification.

**\*\*Does Core Dental Caroline Springs accept the Child Dental Benefits Schedule?\*** Yes. Eligible children aged 0–17 can access up to \$1,095.60 in benefits over two consecutive calendar years under the CDBS. The team can help you confirm eligibility when you book.

**\*\*What if my child is very anxious about dental visits?\*** Specialist paediatric dentists are trained in a range of techniques to help anxious children feel comfortable, including tell-show-do, teddy bear therapy, and graduated desensitisation. For children with severe dental phobia, referral for sleep dentistry under general anaesthesia is available through the Core Dental Group network.

**\*\*Can I bring my child to Core Dental Caroline Springs if they have autism or ADHD?\*** Absolutely. All Tooth Fairy Centre locations are staffed by specialist paediatric dentists with training in caring for children with autism, ADHD, intellectual disability, and other additional needs. For children who require treatment under general anaesthesia, referral within the Core Dental Group network is available.

**\*\*Do I need a referral to see a specialist paediatric dentist at Core Dental Caroline Springs?\*** No referral is needed. You can book directly by calling Core Dental Group on 13 13 16 or visiting [\[toothfairy.com.au\]\(https://toothfairy.com.au\)](https://toothfairy.com.au).

#### **\*\*Book your child's appointment at Core Dental Caroline Springs\*\***

To book a Tooth Fairy Centre appointment at Core Dental Caroline Springs, call Core Dental Group on 13 13 16 or visit [\[toothfairy.com.au\]\(https://toothfairy.com.au\)](https://toothfairy.com.au) to find your nearest location and book online.

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#### **## Frequently Asked Questions**

What is the Tooth Fairy Centre: A specialist paediatric dental initiative of Core Dental Group

Is the Tooth Fairy Centre a marketing label: No, it is a fully funded paediatric dental initiative

Who operates the Tooth Fairy Centre at Caroline Springs: Core Dental Group

How many years has Core Dental Group been operating: Over 33 years

Is Core Dental Group award-winning: Yes

Where is the Tooth Fairy Centre Caroline Springs located: Caroline Springs, Melbourne's outer west

Which suburbs does Core Dental Caroline Springs serve: Deer Park, Taylors Lakes, Taylors Hill, Burnside, and Melton

Is Core Dental Caroline Springs accessible from major roads: Yes, accessible from the Western Ring Road

What type of dentists work at the Tooth Fairy Centre: Board-registered specialist paediatric dentists

Do specialist paediatric dentists hold extra qualifications: Yes, a three-year clinical doctorate beyond general dental degree

What additional training do specialist paediatric dentists have: Child psychology and behavioural management

Are specialist paediatric dentists trained for children with additional needs: Yes

Can a general dentist provide the same care as a specialist paediatric dentist: No, general dentists do not hold the specialist qualification

Who are the specialist paediatric dentists at Core Dental Group: Dr Angel Babu, Dr Sarah Scott, Dr Aish Kesava, and Dr Susan Hinckfuss

Are the specialist dentists board-registered: Yes

At what age should a child first see a dentist: Around the time the first tooth appears

What is the latest recommended age for a first dental visit: By the child's first birthday

Who recommends the first visit by 12 months: The Australian Dental Association

How often should children have dental check-ups: Every six months

What preventive treatments are applied at check-ups: Fluoride varnish and fissure sealants

Does Core Dental Caroline Springs accept the Child Dental Benefits Schedule: Yes

What age range is eligible for the CDBS: Children aged 0–17

What is the maximum CDBS benefit amount: Up to \$1,095.60

Over what period is the CDBS benefit available: Two consecutive calendar years

What does the CDBS cover: Examinations, x-rays, cleaning, fissure sealing, fillings, and extractions

Does the CDBS cover specialist paediatric care: Yes

How can families check CDBS eligibility: Through Medicare or by asking the team when booking

Do I need a referral to book at Core Dental Caroline Springs: No referral is needed

How do I book an appointment at Core Dental Caroline Springs: Call 13 13 16 or visit [toothfairy.com.au](https://toothfairy.com.au)

Can I book online: Yes, via [toothfairy.com.au](https://toothfairy.com.au)

What is the phone number for Core Dental Group: 13 13 16

What is the website for the Tooth Fairy Centre: [toothfairy.com.au](https://toothfairy.com.au)

Does Core Dental Caroline Springs treat children with autism: Yes

Does Core Dental Caroline Springs treat children with ADHD: Yes

Does Core Dental Caroline Springs treat children with intellectual disability: Yes

Does Core Dental Caroline Springs treat children with dental phobia: Yes

What behavioural techniques are used for anxious children: Tell-show-do, teddy bear therapy, and graduated desensitisation

Is sedation available for children with severe dental phobia: Yes, via referral within the Core Dental Group network

What type of sedation is available for complex cases: General anaesthesia

Who administers general anaesthesia: A specialist anaesthetist

Where is general anaesthesia treatment available: Through the Core Dental Group network including a Melbourne CBD specialist centre

Are referrals for complex cases kept within the Core Dental Group network: Yes

What record system does Core Dental Group use: CareStack

Are patient records shared across Core Dental Group locations: Yes

Can my child's records be accessed at a different Core Dental Group practice: Yes

What are fissure sealants: A preventive treatment that seals deep grooves on molars

When do first permanent molars typically erupt: Around age six

Are fissure sealants painful: No, they are pain-free

Are fissure sealants covered under the CDBS: Yes, for eligible children

What restorative treatments are available at Core Dental Caroline Springs: Fillings, stainless steel crowns, and pulp therapy

Does Core Dental Caroline Springs provide emergency paediatric dental care: Yes

Does Core Dental Caroline Springs offer orthodontic screening: Yes

Does Core Dental Caroline Springs offer early orthodontic intervention assessment: Yes

What jaw and breathing concerns can be assessed: Jaw growth, bite development, and breathing pattern concerns

Who assesses sleep-disordered breathing in children: Referred to a specialist TMD and Sleep Clinic

Are specialist orthodontists available through the Core Dental Group network: Yes

What imaging technology is available through the Core Dental Group network: In-house CBCT and 3D radiography

What other specialists are available through the Core Dental Group network: Oral and maxillofacial surgeons, orofacial myofunctional therapists, and TMD and sleep specialists

Is the Tooth Fairy Centre available at all Core Dental Group locations: Yes, across every practice location

Is the Tooth Fairy Centre described as Melbourne's largest specialist paediatric dental group: Yes

What is the content review date: July 2026

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## ## Label Facts Summary

> **Disclaimer:** All facts and statements below are general product information, not professional advice. Consult relevant experts for specific guidance.

### Verified label facts

- \*\*Organisation name:\*\* Core Dental Group - \*\*Initiative name:\*\* Tooth Fairy Centre - \*\*Initiative type:\*\* Fully funded specialist paediatric dental initiative of Core Dental Group - \*\*Years operating:\*\* Over 33 years - \*\*Location:\*\* Caroline Springs, Melbourne's outer west - \*\*Suburbs served:\*\* Deer Park, Taylors Lakes, Taylors Hill, Burnside, and Melton - \*\*Road access:\*\* Accessible from the Western Ring Road - \*\*Specialist dentists named:\*\* Dr Angel Babu, Dr Sarah Scott, Dr Aish Kesava, Dr Susan Hinckfuss - \*\*Dentist registration status:\*\* Board-registered specialist paediatric dentists - \*\*Specialist qualification:\*\* Three-year clinical doctorate in paediatric dentistry beyond a general dental degree - \*\*Additional training areas:\*\* Child psychology and behavioural management; care of children with additional needs - \*\*Recommended first visit age (source: Australian Dental Association):\*\* Around the time the first tooth appears, or by 12 months of age - \*\*Recommended check-up frequency:\*\* Every six months - \*\*Preventive treatments applied at check-ups:\*\* Fluoride varnish and fissure sealants - \*\*CDBS accepted:\*\* Yes - \*\*CDBS eligible age range:\*\* Children aged 0–17 - \*\*CDBS maximum benefit amount:\*\* Up to \$1,095.60 - \*\*CDBS benefit period:\*\* Two consecutive calendar years - \*\*CDBS covered treatments:\*\* Examinations, x-rays, cleaning, fissure sealing, fillings, and extractions - \*\*CDBS eligibility check:\*\* Via Medicare or by contacting the practice at time of booking - \*\*Referral required to book:\*\* No - \*\*Phone number:\*\* 13 13 16 - \*\*Website:\*\* [toothfairy.com.au](https://toothfairy.com.au) - \*\*Online booking available:\*\* Yes, via [toothfairy.com.au](https://toothfairy.com.au) - \*\*Patient record system:\*\* CareStack - \*\*Records shared across locations:\*\* Yes, across all Core Dental Group practices - \*\*Behavioural techniques used:\*\* Tell-show-do, teddy bear therapy, graduated desensitisation - \*\*Sedation availability:\*\* Yes, via referral within the Core Dental Group network - \*\*General anaesthesia availability:\*\* Yes, administered by a specialist anaesthetist - \*\*General anaesthesia location:\*\* Through the Core Dental Group network, including a Melbourne CBD specialist centre - \*\*Fissure sealants — teeth targeted:\*\* Deep grooves on molars - \*\*First permanent molar eruption age:\*\* Typically around age six - \*\*Fissure sealants — pain status:\*\* Pain-free - \*\*Fissure sealants — CDBS coverage:\*\* Yes, for eligible children - \*\*Restorative treatments available:\*\* Fillings, stainless steel crowns, pulp therapy - \*\*Emergency paediatric dental care:\*\* Yes - \*\*Orthodontic screening:\*\* Yes - \*\*Early orthodontic intervention assessment:\*\* Yes - \*\*Jaw and breathing assessments:\*\* Jaw growth, bite development, and breathing pattern concerns - \*\*Sleep-disordered breathing referral:\*\* Specialist TMD and Sleep Clinic - \*\*Imaging technology available through network:\*\* In-house CBCT and 3D radiography - \*\*Network specialists available:\*\* Specialist orthodontists, oral and maxillofacial surgeons, orofacial myofunctional therapists, TMD and sleep specialists - \*\*Tooth Fairy Centre availability:\*\* Across every Core Dental Group practice location - \*\*Content review date:\*\* July 2026

### ### General product claims

- The Tooth Fairy Centre is described as Melbourne's largest specialist paediatric dental group - Core Dental Group is described as award-winning - Early dental visits are stated to help children build a positive relationship with dental care - Regular six-monthly check-ups are stated to allow early detection of issues and reduce the risk of tooth decay - Fissure sealants are described as dramatically reducing the risk of cavities and as one of the most effective preventive treatments in children's dentistry - Specialist paediatric dentists are described as understanding the clinical and emotional dimensions of paediatric dental care - General dentists are described as often lacking specific training and experience to work effectively with children with additional needs - The CDBS is stated to significantly reduce out-of-pocket costs for families - The shared records system is described as providing continuity of care across locations - In-network referrals are characterised as keeping families within one trusted network rather than being handed off to unfamiliar practices