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Dear Parents/Carers,



Year 4 Science Lesson Toothpaste

As part of our 'States of Matter' topic, Year 4 have been learning about the invention and use of toothpaste. We have looked into the history of toothpaste and then designed and mixed our own. The children are keen to take the toothpaste home and to test it following their lesson, so have the option, with your permission to test it at home.

This will not work in place of your child's usual toothpaste, because it doesn't contain fluoride, and like other toothpastes shouldn't be swallowed (although all components separately are edible). Each toothpaste sample contains no more than 2tsp of bicarbonate of soda, corn flour, salt (as a gentle abrasive), glycerine, peppermint/strawberry/lemon essence and water.

The children will enjoy telling you why they added each component. We recommend children clean their teeth with their usual toothpaste following this.

Yours sincerely

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