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Celebrating Children's Week

Children at the North Buderim Early Childhood Centre sunk their teeth into Children's Week this year, when a local dental therapist paid a visit to the centre.

Children's Week, which runs from 23-31 October, aims to bring to public attention the value and needs of young children.

In celebration of this year's Children's Week theme – 'A caring world shares,' North Buderim Early Childhood Centre service manager Rhonda Braxton said dental therapist Hayley Gruell visited the centre to educate the children on dental hygiene.

"Hayley spoke to the children about how and why to care for their teeth and the importance of healthy eating to keep their teeth healthy," Ms Braxton said.

"Each child was given a sample bag containing a tooth brush and tooth paste and information booklets for parents. The children just loved it and they were all very interested in what Hayley had to say."

Churches of Christ Care's Early Childhood Services Operations Manager, Cathy Kennedy, said dental hygiene was an area children really needed to learn about as early as possible.

North Buderim Early Childhood Centre is a not-for-profit, community based service operated by Churches of Christ Care. Churches of Christ Care operates a number of other early childhood services and is one of Queensland's leading providers of early childhood care, child protection, affordable housing, retirement living and aged care services.

Enrolments are now being taken for 2011. For more information, or to enrol your child, please contact North Buderim Early Childhood Centre on (07) 5476 8333.

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Photos attached

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About Churches of Christ Care

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We strive to create an inclusive, caring, compassionate environment that meets its clients' needs without discrimination or prejudice. Everyone is welcome to call on our help regardless of their religious background.

Churches of Christ Care is one of Queensland's leading providers of early childhood, child protection, affordable housing, retirement living and aged care services. We are a not-for-profit organisation that supports more than 27,000 clients each year in urban, rural and remote areas.

We operate 137 services throughout Queensland with the support of more than 2,800 staff and over 700 volunteers.

Churches of Christ Care is built on a foundation of Christian values, commitment to quality care, and trust and respect for clients and the community.