

Free Story Time with the Tooth Fairy Program Recognizes National Children's Dental Health Month

WEST HARTFORD, Ct., January 2, 2011...The Tooth Fairy is becoming pretty well-known around the West Hartford elementary schools, but in honor of National Children's Dental Health Month (NCDHM) in February, she's inviting 100 or so of her youngest fans to free story time in West Hartford.

Story Time with the Tooth Fairy is being offered by Drs. Monica Cipes and Elizabeth Chisholm, at their 798 Farmington Avenue, Cipes Pediatric Dentistry offices.

"Kids love me," the Tooth Fairy said. "I can't begin to tell you about my collection of stories about the first tooth lost. It's important for my little friends to become aware of their teeth and good dental habits at an early age.

"I always enjoy visiting the children in their schools and educating them about their teeth -- from prevention to nutrition. Now, in honor of National Children's Dental Health Month, I'd like the smaller children to see where I work. In my cozy space, they can learn a little about their teeth while enjoying my stories. "

The event will be offered on three separate days and attendance is being held to 15 children per session. While the one-hour programs are geared to ages two through five, older siblings are welcome to join the family. Story Times are: Fri., Feb. 4, beginning at 9, 10:30, and noon; Fri., Feb. 11, beginning at 9, 10:30 and noon; and Fri., Feb. 25, beginning at 11 and 12:30.

You do not have to be a Cipes Pediatric Dentistry patient to attend. Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis, by calling 860-233-1589.

Each February, the American Dental Association (ADA) sponsors National Children's Dental Health Month (NCDHM) to raise awareness about the importance of oral health. According to ADA's website, NCDHM messages and materials have reached millions of people in communities across the country.

Cipes Pediatric Dentistry offers a full scope of preventive and restorative care for infants, adolescents, and teens; an Infant Oral Health Program; extensive experience with young patients who have physical, mental and medical challenges; and the team includes Spanish-speaking associates.

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