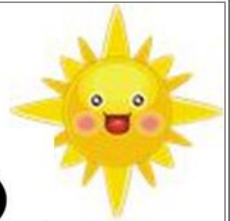




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Why did Dr. Parkinson "force us" to get a "forsus"?



A forsus appliance is used in conjunction with braces to normalize any discrepancies between the upper and lower jaws

These appliances, over time, promote growth in pubertal adolescents by posturing the patient's lower jaw in a forward position, helping to eliminate excessive overbites, and possibly preventing the need for jaw surgery. The major advantage of this system over headgear or elastics is that its effectiveness does not rely on patient cooperation. The forsus appliance is worn an average of 6 months.



The forsus is comfortable and easy to wear and has made correcting certain bite problems much more predictable.

Winter Quarterly and Monthly winners:

Maria Rangel
Paige Foelber
Maria Fletes
Hannah Gallagher
Morgan Thompson
Mariah Bancroft

"Who's That Baby" contest winners:

Julie Sarpolus
LaRae Hudson

Both winners had 7 correct answers and won movie tickets!



ATTENTION SMILE SHUTTLE PASSENGERS

Smile Shuttle passengers must bring a note from their parent to the school the day they are to ride the Smile Shuttle.



Would you like to ride the Smile Shuttle? The Smile Shuttle runs on Thursday mornings and goes to over eleven Tri-city schools. Melody can assist you with the two required forms at your next orthodontic appointment.





IS IT TRUE?



Quotes

The only people with whom you should try to get even are those who have helped you.

John E. Southard

For today and it's blessings, I owe the world an attitude of gratitude.

Clarence Hodges



Will my braces set off the metal detectors in the airport?

You are cleared for takeoff – the lightweight materials used in braces will not affect metal detectors.

Can braces rust?

No. Today's braces are made of new stronger materials, like titanium alloy, and will not rust.

Will my braces interfere with radio signals or electronic devices?

No. Radio-loving gadget fanatics can rest easy.

Can I play a musical instrument?

Yes – that is if you could play a musical instrument before you got braces.

Will braces increase my chance of being struck by lightning?

No. With or without braces the chances of a lightning strike remain the same which, in the U.S. in any one year, according to nationalgeographic.com, is one in 700,000.

Now that I have braces, can I still play sports?

Yes, but be sure to wear a mouth guard. Mouth guards are one of the least expensive pieces of protective equipment available. Not only can mouth guards save teeth, they may also protect against jaw fractures. Mouth guards are advisable for anyone, whether they wear braces or not.

Will my braces attract unwarranted attention from fish?

Scuba aficionados take heart: there is no need to cancel your next dive. The small brackets used in today's braces, especially ceramic or tooth-colored brackets, will not attract attention from unsavory fish or sea life.

Once braces are removed, my teeth will remain straight forever, right?

Wrong. Teeth move throughout one's lifetime, therefore it is important to hold on to retainers and wear them as prescribed by your orthodontist to maintain a healthy, beautiful smile.

Riddle me this!

When I am filled I can point the way. When I am empty, nothing moves me. I have two skins one without and one within.
What am I?

What is bought by the yard and worn by the foot?

Washington State Fun Facts

Washington is the only state named after a President.

The state veggie is the Walla Walla Sweet Onion.

Olympia was called The Black Bear Place by Native Americans who lived there generations ago.

The state fish is a trout. The state dance is square dance.

Washington is the home to the United States wealthiest man.

Pictionary, Pickle-Ball and Cranium were invented in Washington.

Washington's insect is a Green Damer Dragonfly.

Puget Sound has many islands and are served by the largest ferry fleet in the United States. The highest point in

Washington is Mount Rainier at 14,410 feet above sea level.



Starbucks, the biggest coffee chain in the world was founded in Seattle.

Do you know of any Washington fun facts?

Take our survey at WWW.parkinsonbraces.com

