

SCHOOL ORAL HEALTH PROMOTION PROJECT
Maharashtra, India, 2015



In the Kalwa slums of Mumbai, education and literacy are often put off as parents, struggling to meet the immediate needs for family survival, send children to work as rag pickers, sewage cleaners and other unhealthy and dangerous jobs, in order to stave off their families' hunger.



Humble teams up with GPM's 'Eat to Learn' nutritional program, making school a more attractive alternative to resist the pressure on children to work, allowing them to grow, develop and build a different life.



Local educators are trained as Oral Health Ambassadors, qualified to sustainably promote oral health in schools.



The project extends to 20 villages upstate, where the children have never heard of a dentist, and don't have their own toothbrush.

The bad news is that most of the kids had decayed teeth with no option for treatment.

The good news is that they get a second chance at prevention with the eruption of their permanent teeth, thanks to Humble Smile Foundation's School Oral Health Promotion Program, our partners Gabriel Project Mumbai, and our sponsors Humblebrush.