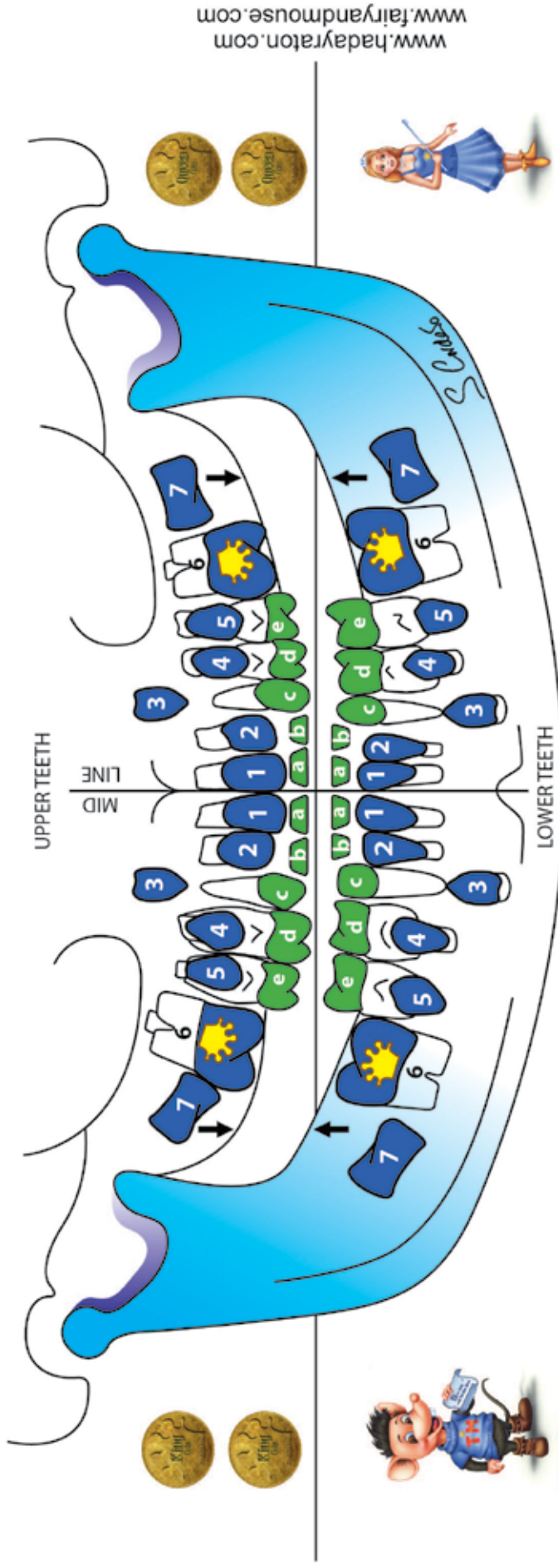


The Children's Crowns Parade, is coming!

Dental layout around **6 years of age**: pre and elementary school starters-

All along elementary school, **20 milk teeth** will be shed and the crowns of **28 permanent teeth will emerge**.

The **6'es** 🦷 are the **first permanent molars** and their developing roots will allow them to erupt soon. They have a golden crown 🦷 within them, because they truly are the **4 Kings** (boys) and **4 Queens** (girls) of all teeth. They constitute our main chewing tools and we will use them 3 times a day for the next 70 years! Names of teeth below. *Term in dentistry in italics*

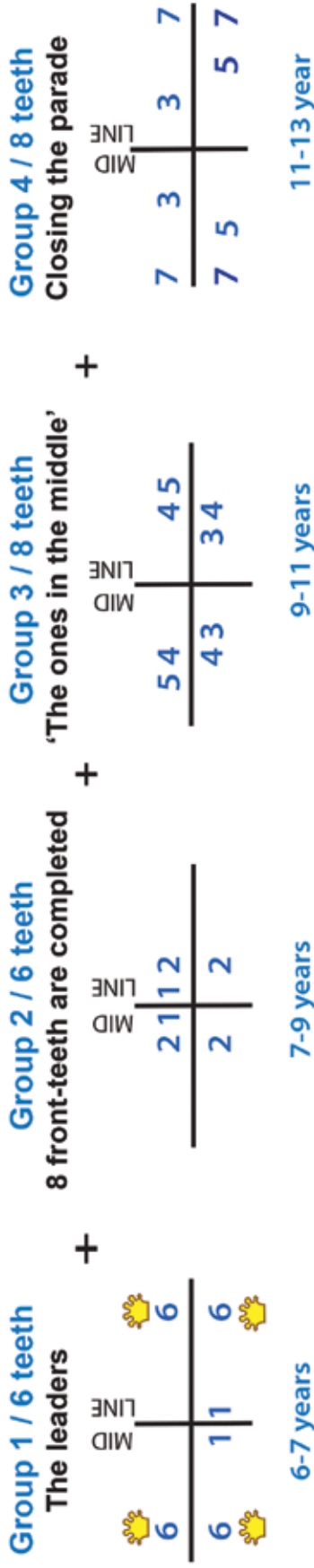


The MID LINE allows a cross to be traced that has 4 symmetric areas. **Each** of these areas or sections holds **7 numbered permanent teeth** that occupy a specific position. The **1's** are close to the MID LINE, the **7's** far away. The same criterion applies to the **milk teeth represented by a, b, c, d, e**. Consider variation in the time of eruption. The tendency is for girls to be one step ahead.

1 = Front Tooth/Central Incisor **2 = Front Tooth/Lateral Incisor** **3 = Canine / Cuspid**
4 y 5 = Bicuspid/Premolars **6 🦷 = First Permanent Back Tooth/Molar** **7 = Second Permanent Molar**
a's and b's = Front Milk Teeth **c = Milk Canine/Cuspid** **d /e= First and second back milk-teeth**

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In order to 'visualize' how the Parade of **28 permanent crowns** unfolds, we will simplify it with a scheme of crosses and numbers. These **28 crowns** will appear in a sequence of **4 Groups** as shown in the 4 crosses below. Each cross is telling us which crowns are emerging at that particular age-bracket. Every number represents a single crown, therefore when reading them have in mind that **21** or **12** are NOT 'twenty one or twelve', they stand for tooth **No.1** and tooth **No.2** which are neighbouring teeth. '**Adding**' the **4 crosses** makes a final **28 crown** cross.



The illustration on the upper page, shows us that the crowns of the **6'es** 🦷 have no shedding milk-tooth that will announce their arrival. They just erupt at the very back of the child's dental arches. So there was no reason for the Tooth Fairy to stop by and visit the child, but in our story these **6'es** 🦷 become centerpiece and are even rewarded double the amount **plus a toothbrush** by means of the King and Queen Golden Coins (pages 54-55). The illustration has a derived Play Version where elementary school children all ages enact the Parade by representing 48 teeth (20 milk and 28 permanent ones). Families, children and school get involved making this a memorable and unforgettable day (School Celebrations, Chapter I). The eruption of the **6'es** 🦷 is a milestone in everyone's life, but only now we have come to realize how important it was in creating such awareness. Never before, in no culture, were these **6'es** 🦷 ever celebrated. Once erupted, there is no time to loose, dedicated brushing and supervision are due; 'brush every day and keep sugars at bay'. Parents, grandparents and children themselves make a commitment to carry on responsible dental preventive care. © 2014 S.Cordero. All rights reserved. www.fairyandmouse.com