

TOY AND SENSORY RESOURCE COLLECTION

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Toy and Sensory Resource Collection

The Toy and Sensory Resource collection is currently available in both Library HQ and Ferrybank Library.

This collection provides free access to specialised toys to assist children with special needs. These toys are designed to support the development of important skills including gross motor skills, fine motor skills, communication skills and visual perception skills.

This new collection allows Kilkenny County Council Library Service to create an inclusive space where children have greater access to relevant services and collections that meet their needs.

With funding from The Department of Rural and Community Development, the toys have been purchased with advice from professionals working with children with special needs.

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- To register for a TSRC library card, complete a membership form and bring a letter of referral to your local branch library.
- To register, users must have a letter of referral from an Occupational Therapist, Speech & Language Therapist, Physiotherapist, Medical Practitioner, Resource Teacher or other professionals working with them.
- Teachers or Special Needs Assistants must supply a referral letter from their school principal to register to borrow on behalf of the school.
- Equipment should only be used on the advice of a designated professional.
- The loan period is three weeks.
- The loan period may be extended by renewing the item online, by phone or in person, unless it is requested by another person.
- Two items may be borrowed at a time.
- Those using the equipment should be monitored at all times.
- All toys should be checked and cleaned before being returned.
- In the interests of Health & Safety please inform staff if equipment is incomplete or faulty.
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- Toys & equipment may vary slightly from the photographs in this catalogue but will function in the same way.
- To ensure availability, please book the item you request in advance by phone or email.
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Gross Motor Skills

Gross Motor Skills are big movements your child makes with their arms, legs, feet or their entire body such as crawling, running, jumping, or throwing a ball etc. The toys listed below can help improve balance, co-ordination and physical strength which support the development of gross motor skills.

Balance Board



Suitable for Balance Training.

Promotes

- Gross Motor Skills
- Improves balance
- Coordination

Maze Balance Board



Move the ball around the maze while keeping your balance. Suitable for 3yrs – 10yrs.

Promotes

- Gross Motor Skills
- Improves Balance
- Coordination

Peanut Shaped Physio Ball



Available in sizes 30cm (blue) , 40cm (red), 55cm (green) & 70cm (blue). Recommended weight max 120kg – 270lbs.

Promotes

- Gross Motor Skills
- Coordination
- Core Strengthening, Balance

Balanco



Balance boards with maze inserts for a greater challenge. Suitable for older child & teenagers.

Promotes

- Coordination
- Balancing skills

Gross Motor Skills

Confetti Ball



Transparent ball filled with coloured glitter, ideal for sensory play. Suitable for 3yrs +.

Promotes

- Coordination
- Alertness

Space Hopper



Hop 45cm (yellow) suitable for 5yrs+
Hop 55cm (red) suitable for 7yrs+
Hop 66cm (blue) suitable for 9yrs+

Promotes

- Balance
- Stability

CanDo® Donut Ball



Unique shaped exercise ball.

Promotes

- Balance
- Coordination

Sit 'n' Gym



45 cm - yellow
Recommended weight: max.
120 kg – 270 lbs

Promotes

- Better posture
- Better concentration

Gross Motor Skills

Roller Seat



Sit in the “U” shaped seat and move in any direction. For indoor use only.

Promotes

- Core strengthening
- Movement
- Coordination

Scooter Board



Sit or lie on the board and scoot along. 73cm x 48 cm.

(Please note scooter boards do not have brakes)

Promotes

- Upper Body Strength
- Core Strength
- Coordination

Scooter Board



(Economy) smaller size
30cm x 40cm x 90.5mm.

(Please note scooter boards do not have brakes)

Promotes

- Upper Body Strength
- Core Strength
- Coordination

Twist N Spin



Sit or stand for non-stop spinning.

Promotes

- Coordination
- Balance
- Concentration

Gross Motor Skills

Agility Ladder



This ladder is 4m long and 43cm wide with 10 joists.

Promotes

- Foot speed
- Coordination

Hilltops



Different height hilltops encourage children to jump from top to top.

Promotes

- Balancing skills
- Coordination

Popperboard



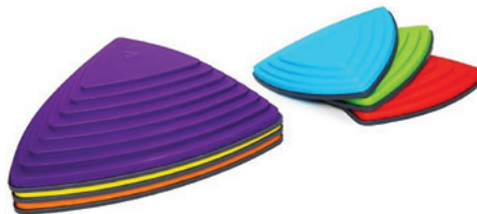
Use the popperboard to move, rock, roll, sit or stand.

(Weight limit: approx. 110lbs)

Promotes

- Core strength
- Balancing skills

River Stones



Use the stepping stones to jump from stone to stone without touching the floor.

Promotes

- Coordination
- Balancing skills

Gross Motor Skills

Spinning Top



Large top for 1 or 2 children.
80cm dia. 44cm high
Suitable for 3-10 yrs.

Promotes

- Coordination
- Balance

Forever up and down



Keep the ball on the track
while moving the object.

Promotes

- Hand-eye coordination

Swipe Shot



Fun active game where players
knock down their opponent cups.

Promotes

- Encourages active play
- Coordination

Gross Motor Skills Kit



A selection of items used to support the
development of Gross Motor Skills.

Includes items such as: Bean bags,
Flex tubes, Foam throw and catch,
Giggle bag.

Items in the kit may differ from the photograph.

Fine Motor Skills

Fine motor skills are small movements your child makes with their fingers and hands. Children use these movements when writing, eating, buttoning clothes, using a scissors etc. The toys listed below will support greater dexterity and strength which will help improve fine motor skills.

Activity Triangle



Colour rattling activity triangle.

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation
- Develops fine motor skills

Avalanche Fruit Salad



A fun game to develop fine motor skills.

Promotes

- Hand-eye coordination - pincer grip
- Reinforces colour and fruit vocabulary

Cutting Fruit Large



A selection of wooden fruit pieces that can be cut with a wooden knife.

Promotes

- Fine motor skills
- Hand-eye coordination

Super Sorting Pie



Use the jumbo tweezers to sort the fruit.

Promotes

- Better pincer grip
- Number skills & colour recognition

Fine Motor Skills

Wooden Lacing Animals



Contains 5 farm animals to practise lacing skills.

Promotes

- Hand-eye coordination
- Concentration
- Develops fine motor skills

Lacing Apple



A wooden apple with holes and a caterpillar on a string for threading.

Promotes

- Visual perception skills
- Hand-eye coordination
- Concentration

Lacing Beads



Large lacing beads for easy threading.

Promotes

- Hand-eye coordination
- Visual perception skills

Stack and Lace Caterpillar



This colourful caterpillar can be used to teach colours, numbers or practise lacing.

Promotes

- Fine Motor Skills
- Hand-eye Coordination
- Colour recognition

Fine Motor Skills

Lacing Blocks Farm



Beautiful painted farm-themed wooden blocks that can be laced together.

Promotes

- Fine Motor skills
- Language skills

Wooden Treading Fruits



Thread, sort and match the wooden fruit.

Promotes

- Hand-eye coordination
- Matching & Sequencing skills

Bead Sequence



Use the beads to make sequences and patterns.

Promotes

- Fine motor skills
- Colour and shape recognition

Balance Stacking Game



A colour sorting challenge with a twist.

Promotes

- Problem solving
- Understanding cause & effect

Fine Motor Skills

Kaleido Gears



Construct the kaleido gear puzzle and move the colourful gears.

Promotes

- Fine motor precision
- Hand-eye coordination

Caterpillar Gear Toy



Great for little hands to twist.

Promotes

- Fine Motor Skills
- Colour recognition

FantaColour Junior Peg Board



Large pegs for easier grip.

Promotes

- Visual perception skills
- Hand-eye coordination
- Fine motor skills – pincer grip

FantaColour Peg Board



A peg board with multiple design options 10mm pegs.

Promotes

- Visual perception skills
- Hand-eye coordination
- Colour recognition

Fine Motor Skills

Slanted Writing board



This sloped board makes it easier to write on.

Promotes

- Handwriting skills
- Coordination

Pattern Blocks & Boards



Match the patterns blocks to the templates provided or create your own mosaics.

Suitable for 3yrs +

Promotes

- Matching & sorting skills
- Concentration
- Fine Motor Skills

Beginner Pattern Blocks



Match the patterns to the templates or create your own pictures.

Promotes

- Hand-eye coordination
- Reinforces colour and shape vocabulary
- Encourages creativity and play

Magnetic Pattern Blocking Kit



Includes 120 colourful pattern designs for hours of play. Select a picture and replicate it using the shapes. Suitable for 3yrs +

Promotes

- Fine Motor skills
- Colour recognition
- Encourages creativity & play

Fine Motor Skills

Magnatab – A-Z Uppercase



Drag stylus over the magnets to learn to draw the capital letters. A great sensory learning tool.

Promotes

- Fine motor skills - pincer grip
- Language skills

Magnatab A-Z Lowercase



Drag stylus over the magnets to learn to draw the letters. A great sensory learning tool.

Promotes

- Fine motor skills - pincer grip
- Language skills

Drive the Car Maze



Move the car around the wooden maze.

Promotes

- Fine motor precision
- Hand-eye coordination

Magnetic Maze Turtle



Use the magnetic wand to get the magnetic balls to the centre of the maze.

Promotes

- Fine Motor skills
- Concentration

Fine Motor Skills

Hoot the Owl

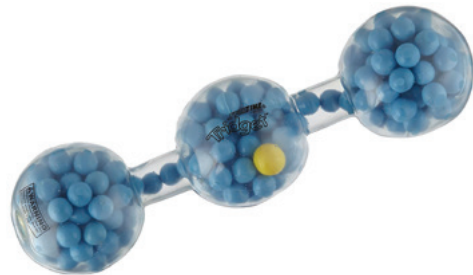


Use the coloured coins for some hands-on activities.

Promotes

- Hand-eye coordination
- Fine motor precision

Three Bulb Tracker



Each bulb is filled with round beads that contain non-toxic liquid. Push the beads through the bulbs.

Promotes

- Fine motor skills
- Tactile awareness

Turn 'n' Sort 2



Turn and screw the coloured discs onto the wooden board.

Promotes

- Fine motor skills
- Colour recognition & matching skills

Jumbo Tweezers



Large size tweezers in bright colours.

Promotes

- Fine Motor Skills – pincer grip
- Hand-eye coordination

Fine Motor Skills

Fine Motor Skills Kit



A selection of items used to promote fine motor skills.

Includes items such as:
Fiddle fingers, Handy scoopers,
Lacing animals, Jumbo tweezers.

Items in the kit may differ from the photograph.

Play & Life Skills

Through play, children develop important skills which can help them in everyday life. These toys may help with communication skills, interpersonal skills, and problem-solving.

Latches Board



Samples of common latches on one simple board.

Promotes

- Fine Motor Skills
- Colour and number recognition
- Problem solving

Bear Family Dress Up



This contains 45 pieces so the Bear Family can change outfits and emotions again and again.

Promotes

- Fine Motor skills
- Encourages creativity and play

Wooden Doorbell House



This doorbell house features electronic doorbells, four locks with matching keys and four play dolls.

Promotes

- Fine Motor Skills
- Colour & Number recognition

Mr Potato Head (Boxed)



Helps to recognise body parts.

Promotes

- Personal and social skills
- Hand-eye coordination
- Encourages creativity and play

Play & Life Skills

All About Communication



Discussion Cards

These cards are a great tool to practise and develop communication skills.

Promotes

- Communication skills
- Personal & social skills

All About Anxiety



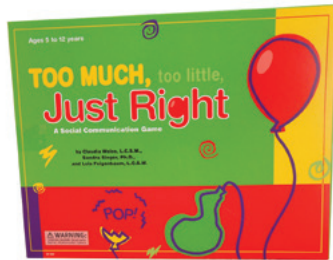
Discussion Cards

These cards allow for a discussion on all aspects of anxiety.

Promotes

- Communication skills
- Personal & social skills

Too Much, Too Little, Just Right



A game to help understand tone of voice, body language and social cues.

Promotes

- Communication skills
- Social skills
- Language skills

Too Close, Too Far, Just Right



A game to explore social scenarios and accepted physical boundaries.

Promotes

- Communication skills
- Social skills

Play & Life Skills

Consequence Discussion Cards



Discussion cards – these cards allow for a discussion on actions and consequences

Promotes

- Social skills
- Communication skills

Guess What They're Thinking

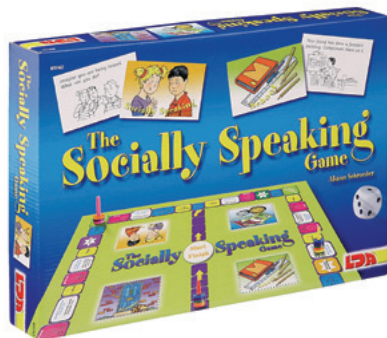


Look at the cards and match the pictures to the relevant dialogue card. Allows children to understand social cues.

Promotes

- Communication skills
- Social skills

Socially Speaking Game

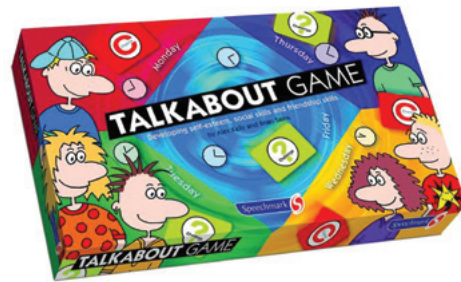


A game for teaching social skills in a fun and interactive way.

Promotes

- Communication skills
- Social skills

Talkabout Game



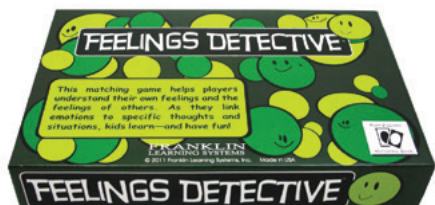
A fun game to develop social skills. Participants learn about 5 skill areas encountering tasks along the way.

Promotes

- Communication skills
- Social skills

Play & Life Skills

Feelings Detective Game



This game helps children understand feelings and social cues

Promotes

- Communication skills
- Social skills

Emotion Cubes



Two cubes include photographs each expressing different emotions & words.

Promotes

- Recognition of emotions

Emotions Puppets



Set of 6 reversible puppets. Helps to recognise emotions and a great tool to use for storytelling sessions.

Promotes

- Language & communication skills
- Recognition of emotions

BBQ Emotions



This game helps children to learn about their emotions in a fun and creative way.

Promotes

- Communication skills
- Empathy

Play & Life Skills

Soundtracks



A fun game matching everyday sounds to colourful pictures. Includes a CD, 4 game boards with 36 everyday sounds and 40 counters.

Promotes

- Language skills
- Interpersonal skills,
- Colour, shape, animal recognition

Timetracker



Helpful in keeping children/class on track.

Coloured lights (red, green, yellow) alert children to time remaining.

Promotes

- Time Management
- Reinforces numeracy

Timetracker Mini



Time can be set for 5 mins up to 2hrs. Can be set for visual only alarm or audio alarm too.

Promotes

- Time management
- Reinforces numeracy

Sandtimers



These sand timers are colour coded and can be used for games or timing experiments.

Available 1 minute, 2 minute, 3 minute, 5 minute and 10 minute.

Promotes

- Concentration
- Time Management

Play & Life Skills

Alphabet Fishing



Magnetic Fishing alphabet game that can be used in a water tray or on a table.

Promotes

- Hand-eye coordination
- Pre-literacy skills

Bugzle



Includes challenge cards and puzzle pieces. Choose a card and replicate the picture using the puzzle pieces.

Promotes

- Fine motor skills
- Problem solving

Pound and Roll



Pound a ball and watch it roll.

Promotes

- Fine motor skills
- Teaches cause and effect

Peekaboo Learning Farm



Learn to count and recognise colours with these farm animals and barns

Promotes

- Fine motor skills
- Pre-literacy skills & numeracy skills

Play & Life Skills

Animal Bingo

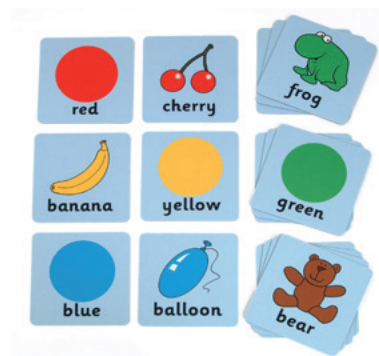


Includes 20 wood tiles
and 4 bingo cards.

Promotes

- Fine motor skills
- Social skills

Colour Matching Tiles



A set of 16 picture tiles
(23cm x 23cm each)

Promotes

- Pre-literacy skills
- Colour recognition

Sensory and Tactile

Sensory and Tactile stimulation involves the sensation of touch. These toys and resources offer a variety of different tactile and sensory sensations.

Movin' Sit Cushion



Ideal for children who crave movement while sitting.
Sizes available 35cm x 35cm or Junior Size 26cm x 26cm.

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation
- Improves balance
- Self-regulation/ concentration

Disc 'o' Sit



Ideal for active sitting.
Sizes available 39cm dia. or 32cm dia.

Promotes

- Improves concentration
- Sensory stimulation
- Better balance

Fidgipod



5" in diameter and consists of over 200 small soft bristles that are irresistible to touch.

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation
- Self-regulation
- Calming

Poppitoppy



Push the button and the balls will jump madly around.

Promotes

- Visual stimulation
- Shows cause and effect

Sensory and Tactile

Band in a Box



This kit includes 10 musical instruments.

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation
- Creative play

Ball With Bell



A sensory ball with a bell encased inside the flexible foam and plastic strips.

Promotes

- Gross motor skills
- Sensory stimulation

Wooden Sound Matching Blocks



This set includes 4 pairs of blocks with different tones

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation
- Self-regulation

Rain Rush



42 colourful wooden beads that create beautiful rainstorm sounds when they go down.

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation
- Calming

Sensory and Tactile

Tote Around Hound



This weighted toy can help a child to focus.

Size 25cm x 15cm. Weight 3kg.

Promotes

- Relaxation
- Concentration
- Regulation

Colour Changing Mood Blocks



These cube shaped lights glow and change colour gently.

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation
- Self-regulation

Twilight Turtle – Blue

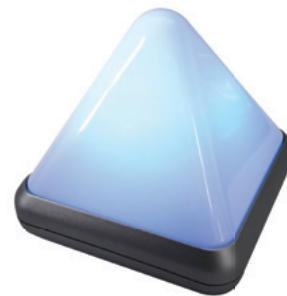


A soothing light that projects star constellations in the dark.

Promotes

- Visual stimulation
- Sensory stimulation
- Calming

Soothing Sounds Mood Light



Plays relaxing nature sounds with colour changing lighting effect.

Promotes

- Visual stimulation
- Sensory stimulation
- Calming

Sensory and Tactile

Grabits



Great for grabbing, catching, throwing as well as sensory stimulation.

Promotes

- Gross motor skills
- Sensory stimulation

Easy Grip Sensory Balls



Set of 6 easy grip sensory balls

Promotes

- Gross motor skills
- Sensory & tactile stimulation

Feel and Find 3D Shapes



Includes wooden shapes and tiles.

Promotes

- Sensory & tactile stimulation
- Colour & shapes recognition

Gel Bead Sensory Shapes



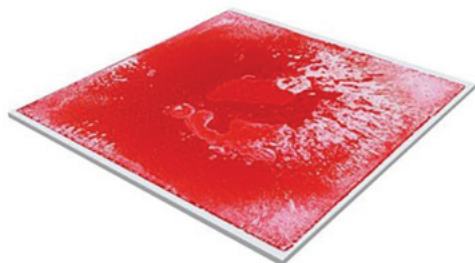
This set of 4 fun shapes in bright colours allows children to learn shapes, colours and textures at the same time

Promotes

- Colour & shape recognition
- Sensory stimulation

Sensory and Tactile

Liquid Floor Tiles



A set of 4 gel-filled floor tiles (50cm x 50cm each). Move on the tile to shift the gel inside.

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation
- Self-regulation

Teaching Tac-Tiles



20 plastic tiles featuring five textures and shapes.

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation
- Self-regulation
- Calming

Tactile Matching Game



Create shapes and patterns with tactile matching tiles.

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation
- Develops tactile senses
- Problem-solving.

Tactile Discs



Using hands and feet try to match the similar tactile discs

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation

Sensory and Tactile

Guessing Box



Touch, feel and guess the shapes inside the box

Promotes

- Shape recognition
- Sensory & tactile stimulation

Fidget Mat



A weighted lap pad with lots of fidgets including pull-string vibration.

Promotes

- Sensory stimulation
- Self-regulation
- Calming

Sensory Kit



A selection of items that can be used to help with sensory integration or sensory diets.

Includes items such as:

Tangles, Twidgets, Vibrating bugs, Glitter balls.

Items in the kits may differ slightly from the photograph.



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ICE

A wooden house-shaped counting game with six numbered windows and doors. A small red car is positioned in front of the house.

Giant Top
Strengthens muscles and body control
Challenges balance and stimulates the senses
AGES 3+

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