



Special Needs Library

EDUCATIONAL & THERAPEUTIC RESOURCES

Our winter Newsletter



Special events in the Library's life:

Interested Parties:
The Christchurch
Special needs
Library is looking for
new committee
members. If you
are interested in the
future of the library
and can spare two
hours a month
please ring Tess on
332 0733.

A note from our Chairperson

Hello Everyone,

A special welcome to all our new clients. We hope you enjoy your visits to the library and please don't hesitate to ask for assistance when you come in. We welcome all comments and suggestions.

On July 18/19 we will have a stall at the Baby and Child Show at Pioneer stadium so do make yourself known and go in the Lucky draw to win a prize.

A winter warmer 'tip' – buy or borrow a set of inexpensive curtains (or go to an op shop). Hook them onto the tape at the back of your regular curtains. This will double the insulation and keep rooms warmer.

Necessity is the mother of invention!

Cheers

Gina Mintrom

Chairperson





A message from our Educational and Therapeutic Resource Advisor ... Charlotte

Hello from Charlotte,

We have lots of resources to keep warm and active this winter in the library. We have highlighted some of these resources in the newsletter. Please check out the Focus table as you come into the library. This week the emphasis is on sorting - shape, size and colour. These are great activities for indoors when it is raining or snowing. Most can be done individually or with family members. Keep warm and have fun.

Charlotte Ganderton
Educational and Therapeutic Advisor



Library Opening Hours:

Tuesday 10 am – 4.30pm
Thursday 10 am – 4.30pm
Saturday 10 am – 12 noon

Overdue Resources:

The grace period for returning resources is three days. If resources are not back within this period, clients will be charged for a further full month.

Missing or lost pieces:

If you find a piece missing or broken from any item please notify us immediately. All items returned are checked, cleaned, counted and shelved by our volunteers. We have over three thousand resources in the library to monitor.

Internet Banking:

Please remember to add your **client code** if you are paying subscriptions or putting your toy hire in credit.



Come and see us at the Baby and Child Expo. Sat 18th & Sun 19th July 2015; 9 am - 4 pm. Pioneer Stadium. Adults \$5, kids U15 free.

www.babyandchild.co.nz

<https://www.facebook.com/babyandchildexpochristchurch>

We are still selling the entertainment book. If you do require a copy please contact us or order online. We really appreciate your support with this fundraiser.



Our Resources

7543 – Whally Balance Board



The WePlay® Whally Board is a fun balance board for kids! Inspired by a jumping fish, Weplay Whally Board is textured with waves and bubbles on the surface to provide children with tactile stimulations to feet and inspire the imagination of fish roaming freely in water. This ergonomic balance board is designed for young children to either sit in or stand on for a fun rock balancing game. Kids can pretend they are riding on a whale or big fish!

7549 – Up On Top Balance Heads

Steadily place these colourful heads on top of your head while standing or walking. Try to stack two or three – who will balance the most!



9038 – Lucky

Meet Lucky; the newest addition to the weighted products family. Lucky is a German Shepherd and weighs approx. 4 KG and measures approx. 60 cm in length. These products are designed to help calm/relax the user. Individuals who have difficulties tolerating or registering particular stimuli may respond positively to heavy touch/pressure. Some individuals find stronger sensations more comfortable and calming.

9182 – Small Parachute

Nylon Parachute – 1.8m diameter with 8 hand holds. Promotes cooperative group play while helping to build muscles.

9315 – Bodysock



The see-through lycra/spandex "body sock" is movement, tactile, and deep pressure experience like no other. Perhaps you are wondering what to do with "odd" looking thing. Oh, that's easy...just climb in, zip it up, and watch your body make shapes you never thought possible.



9997 & 9998 – Ezyrollers

The EzyRoller uses the same principle of action-reaction as gondoliers in Venice: they make sinus curves in the water. No pedals, no chain, no battery but instead of making movement in the water you make simple right/left moves. The principle behind the EzyRoller is so powerful that most kids can go alone with their EzyRollers within seconds and as young as 3 years old. You can reach speed up to 12 mph once you have the technique (and legs)! Our red ezyroller has an extension for adult users.



Helen Bascand 1929 - 2015

Our Condolences go out to the Bascand family with the loss of Helen Bascand. Helen was a founding member of the Special Needs Library in 1977. A gentle lady and friend, a great listener and teacher who shared her knowledge and wisdom. Her vision continues today.

To join the Friends of the Christchurch Special Needs Library:

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We look forward to welcoming you.

**As a registered charity, all donations over \$5 are tax deductible*