What's new at the Toy Library.

Firstly I would like to thank those members who purchased toys from the fundraiser catalogue. We received $350 dollars worth of gift vouchers to purchase new toy and also receive 8 educational games. Amazing job.

Below is a list of all the toys that have been purchased in the last 8 months for the library. Remember if there are any toys that you would like to see add to the library there is a suggestion list on the shelving unit just as you walk into toy storage area. Happy for any ideas.

Babies 0 – 2 years

Sassy Wonder Wheel, Illumination Station and Fascination - toys that suction cap onto high chair. They inspire vision and capture attention. The toys light up, rattle and are made from a variety of textures. They encourage touch and explore cause and effect.

Infantino Activity Triangle - fun, brightly colored activity triangle. Zippy buttons, rattling beads, spinning shapes and twirling mirror. Promotes important skills through exploration by sight, touch and sound.

Bright Starts Clack and Slide Activity Ball - fun activities include bead chaser, rattle ball, squeaker, and mirror.

Vtech Crawl and Learn Bright lights Ball - Ball move along with a small tap from baby and continues to move on its own. The ball sings and also has interactive animal and number buttons. This is a great toy to encourage crawling, learning animal names, numbers and developing fine motor skills.

Geomag GBaby Baby Farm - Soft foam and magnet piece used to create animals and farmer. Great for fine motor skills and the repel and attract motion of the magnets is just "magic" for them.

VTech Toot Toot Driver Garage - Toy of the year 2012. This is a fantastic interactive garage with ramps, lifts and talking vehicles. Hours of fun.

Fisher Price Little People Farm - My boys loved this toy. Lots of thing to play with - Barn, Silo, stables and tractor. Lots of animals and push buttons with animal noises.
**Fisher price sink and fridge** - open the refrigerator door, the light comes on and a song is sung. Inside the fridge there's pretend food and shape sorting fun. Kitchen includes a flip book where baby can flip the pages hear about foods and learn about shapes and colors. On the other side of the kitchen is a switch that can be flipped on and off, and the faucet can even be turned on.

**Teletubbies House** - 4 teletubbies, 4 slides. Put the teletubby down the slide and where will he come out. Great for little ones.

**Little tikes gas and go lawn mower** - Now they can be just like dad. Gas can for filling lawn mower and pull cord with real lawn mower noise for starting it up.


**Wow Ryan’s Road Trip** - 4 wheel drive with trailer and tent. There are 2 characters and their dog. Camp fire included. This toy is pushed forward and then continues to drive on its own. Get for idea's, imagination and fine motor skills. This toy is great for kids for 1 ½ to 5 years.

**Wow Ronnie Rocket Ship** - Send Major Tom off into space. Rocket has a pull cord which starts the count down on the display panel and the rocket shakes. Has open/closing hatch. Great toy for social development, imagination and fine motor skills. Age for 1 ½ to 5 years.

**What ’s inside** - Kids can’t wait to get their hand inside the box to know what is hiding inside. Machine washable, tactile toys, great for all sorts of games.
**Wow Camper Van** - Let's go camping and don't forget the dog. Has opening and closing doors, suitcase shape sorted and continues to move once pushed. Fantastic for let's pretend, social development, fine motor skills, imagination and discovery. Age 1 ½ to 5 years.

2 years and over.

As popular as ever characters from ABC television shows. We now have 3 Octonaut pods, Peppa Pig Play house and 3 Fireman Sam activity set - Pontypanty House, the Training Tower and Firehouse.

For the little boys dinosaurs are very popular. So look out for the fantastic Dino Construction set from Australian Geographic. The set comes with a battery operated drill and screw driver, take the dinosaurs apart and the put them back together again.

**Build-a-saurus** - X2 Construct your very own dinosaur. Easy to connect pieces together. Instructions included.

**Bump n Go Ambulance** - For all the budding young doctors out there. Flashing lights ambulance noise. X-ray, syringes etc. Drives along, lots of songs, noises and things to do.

For those little ones that like to take things apart and put them back together there is a Playgro Junior Mechanic Set with drill. Take apart a racing car, aircraft and motor bike then rebuild.

We also have a new fire truck that shoot water and a new garbage truck with real garbage truck noises for those let pretend games.
Children love to build and create for themselves, Lego Duplo is fantastic for construction - developing fine motor skill as well and for lets pretend games. We have purchase a few Duplo sets this year. I know what you are thinking to many pieces, but they are well worth the borrow for both boys and girls. When I have any item with a lot of piece from the library I always make sure we play with them only in one room and put my kids own toys away so they don't get mixed up. I also count the pieces at the end of each play session so I know when exactly that piece went missing making it easier to find.

**Lego Duplo Princess Castle** - The girls will love the Cinderella and Prince charming castle with a horse drawn carriage. This castle has a great set of instruction so easy to build, hour of let pretend games.

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<th>Lego Duplo Hospital</th>
<th>Ambulance with flashing light, Doctors nurse and patients. Stretchers, x-ray machines and hospital ward. Easy to follow instructions. Many different ways to build. I enjoyed building this one myself</th>
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**Lego Duplo Creative Cakes and Fisher Price Teaset** - for the little bakers create beautiful cakes and then sit down to a lovely tea party.

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<th>Lego Duplo Experiment tubes</th>
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I have purchased a new kitchen with interactive card, so cooking instruction are given as they play, make pancakes, spaghetti and decorate a beautiful strawberry and cream pie. Kids love to do what you are doing and can in this fantastic kitchen.

For the girls that love Barbie there are new Barbie dolls for the Barbie house and now we have the amazing Barbie cruise ship and the dolls - when borrow this one so that it will last for the greatest length of time please don't use water in the pool. Once thing get wet the stickers start to come off and also the Barbie doll hair goes funny.
Lala Loopsy Silly Playset – Roller coaster fun park, with balloon ride, little shop, slippery slide, 3 dolls and their animal friends.

New in the games section

Lace up sneaker – To help parents trying to teach their kids to tie their shoes.

Frog Feeding Frenzy – Roll both dices to see what color and how many flies your frog is going to eat. The one with the most flies is the winner. This is a great game for teaching counting and colors.

Sandwich Building Jigsaw – 4 sandwiches with different fillings in each. Build all sort of combinations.

Abby and Emma Magnetic Dress-up – Two dress up doll with magnetic change able clothes.

Penguin Bowling – Soft foam bowls for indoor bowling. Great for those wet days.

Giant Snakes and ladders game – I’ve brought 2 of these. I thought they would be great coming into winter when it rain and you can’t take the kids out to play. Large floor mat board 1 m x 1 1/2, big foam die and large colored counters.

This week I went to Kids Central which is an outlet for Early Learning Centre toys. Sadly ELC has gone into liquidation, good for us fantastic toys at really discounted prices. This is what I purchased

Rosebud Farm and Rosebud Safari Park – Really well made wooden toys with beautiful animals. Great for lets pretend and for learning the names and sound animals make.
Land Village Set, Fire Station, Dino playset, Fairy Forest, Kettle Cottage and Zoo - Fun character, vehicles, lots of sound, buttons to push, slides and dials. All these toys great for developing the imagination. Great for playing alone or with other children.

Nurse and Vet Costume

Activity Bot - lots of pushing buttons, turning knobs, clicking switches. Great exploration toys for the littlies.

Hop on the bus - Matching letter with the picture puzzle.

Build it Fire Fighter - Unscrew the fire fighter then put him back together again. Hours of fun for those little ones that like to explore how things go together.
**Riding School Foam Floor Puzzle** - Fantastic large foam pieces. One puzzle is put together you can then look for things in the puzzle. There are "Find the" questions around the edge of the puzzle.

We have also fixed up or purchased new parts to replace missing ones for quite a few toys so they are able to go back into circulation. For Chuggington fans the Rock Quarry train set is back in the library now with some additional pieces.

All these toys are either already in circulation or they will be in the next couple of weeks. Keep an eye out for them and I hope you and your children enjoy the new toys.

Thanks Joss