

## TOY GUIDELINES

### FOR THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AT WESTMEAD

Thank you for your interest in donating toys for our patients.

To make it easier to decide which toys are appropriate for sick kids in hospital, here are some guidelines and a shopping list to consider.

The first thing to think about is the appropriateness of the toy for the child. This Christmas, there will be approximately 300 children staying with us and we would be very grateful for gifts suitable for very young babies and toddlers, as well as children 11-18 years of age.

#### Donated toys must meet the following guidelines:

- For health and safety reasons, toys must be brand new, unopened and still in manufacturers' packaging or with the tags attached
- There's no need to wrap the toy as we need to see it to make sure it's appropriate for each child
- We don't accept toy guns, swords or war games
- All toys must meet Australian Safety Standards
- Toys can't have small or easily detachable parts that can be swallowed
- Toys can't have moving parts that can pinch fingers or hair
- Toys can't have dangers such as breakable glass, protrusions, or sharp edges
- We don't accept electrical, spark-producing toys because of fire regulations
- Glue or paint in craft kits must be non-toxic and non-flammable
- All DVDs need to be G or PG Rated

But don't despair—while that might seem like a lot of exclusions, here's a shopping list of toy types that are warmly welcomed because they suit a broad range of children.

#### **For general hospital use and all age children**

- Personal DVD players, iPads, iPods, Sony Playstation 4 console and G/PG rated games (these are used by our Child Life Therapists) DVDs (G/PG rated only) Nintendo games
  - Movie vouchers, iTunes cards, EFTPOS gift cards.
- General art and craft supplies for Child Life Therapy such as small and medium blank canvases, glitter glue sticks, batteries.
- Stickers** eg Disney Princess, Frozen, Minions, My Little Pony, Peppa Pig, PawPatrol, Trolls, Moana, Superheroes, pirates, unicorns, fairies, Barbie, Dinosaurs, Octonauts, mermaids, butterflies, flowers, cars etc.



## Babies — 3 year-olds

- Toys - Peppa Pig, Pillow Pet, FlipaZoo, Thomas the Tank Engine, Sesame Street, Doc McStuffins, Winnie the Pooh.
- Cot mobiles, soft toys eg teddy bears, musical books, musical toys, baby rattles, Fisher-Price brand toys.
- Building blocks, Duplo, baby activity boards.

## 3 - 7 year-olds

- Fingerling HUGS Plush Monkey, Hatchimals, FurReal Critters Munchin Rex Baby Dino, Little Live Pets, Scruff-a-Luvs toy pet, Pomsies Blossom Plush Interactive Toys, Little Live Wrapples,
- Toys manufactured as part of Shopkins, Barbie, Peppa Pig, Frozen, Trolls, Fairies Dinosaurs, Marvel & DC Superheroes, Hot Wheels, Minecraft, Minions, Star Wars, .PJ Mask, Paw Patrol, Dinosaurs, Marvel & DC Superheroes, Hot Wheels, Minecraft, Star Wars
- **Lego Sets** eg Lego Friends, Lego Batman, Lego City, Lego Creator, Lego Junior, Lego DC Superhero girls, Lego DC Comic Superheroes
- Duplo. Fisher Price Medical Kit, Dress up costumes. Soft toys such as Pillow Pets, FlipaZoo. Sticker books, colouring books and pencils, crayons, Tea Party Sets (plastic). Fairy wings, tiaras & wands.

## 7 - 10 year-olds

- Fingerling HUGS Plush Monkey, Hatchimals, FurReal Soft toys, Little Live Pets, L.O.L Surprise Glam Glitter Series Dolls, BFF Furry Friends
- Scruff-a-Luvs toy pets, Pomsies Blossom Plush Interactive Toys, Little Live Wrapples,
- Colouring in books, pencils and crayons. Painting sets, mosaic sticker sets, jigsaw puzzles, scrapbooking sets. Board games, card games, individual puzzle games
- Toys manufactured as part of Transformers, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, Meccano, POP Vinyls by Funko e.g. Star Wars characters, Marvel & DC Superhero Girls Dolls Furbies,

## 10 - 12 year-olds

- Activity craft sets, scrapbooking kits, DIY kits e.g. dreamcatcher, beading sets, knitting sets. Velvet Art poster set with textas, jewellery craft kits. Typo notebooks, pens, pencil cases.
- Toys manufactured as part of Robosapien, Minecraft, Marvel and DC Heroes, Star Wars. POP Vinyls by Funko
- iTunes cards, eftpos gift cards. Sports items.

## 12 - 18 year-olds

- Bluetooth enabled headphones, movie vouchers, iTunes cards, Eftpos gift cards
- Sports items, activity or craft packs, make up and nail polish sets
- Johanna Basford colouring in books with Staedtler Noris colour 185 coloured pencils or Staedtler triplus colour 323 coloured pens
- Typo notebooks, pens, pencil cases.

