

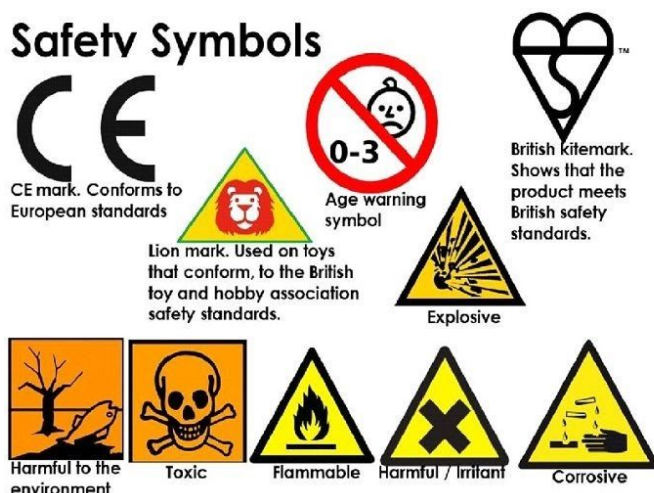
We understand that keeping children occupied during this time is very difficult. Many families are struggling to find positive things to do at home. As we have now entered the third month of lockdown there is an increase in demand for entertainment and creative learning at home.

To do this safely we need to make sure we follow the strict cleaning guidelines so that these resources are safe to use.

### What can I donate?

We **will accept** toys, games, art materials that closely fit the descriptions of the items listed on the website. Donations must be from genuine brands and undamaged. Look out for these safety and warning symbols for guidance.

#### Safety Symbols



We **will not accept** anything that is damaged or has parts missing. We will only dispose of them which will come at a cost to us.

Make sure wooden toys don't have splinters, metal toys haven't rusted and art materials are non toxic.

Unfortunately at this time we also can't accept:

- battery powered and electrical toys
- Fabric toys

We don't have a lot of space to store excess stuff at the moment. Donations are normally always appreciated but under the current circumstances we can't take anything more than what has been asked for right now.



## **Kinning Park Complex SCIO : Toy Cleaning Guidelines**

You may need to follow multiple cleaning instructions if your toy is made from more than one material.

### **Washing toys by hand (plastic, metal, rubber):**

#### **Step 1: Clean**

- Put on Gloves: either disposable ones you will throw away after one use or reusable gloves dedicated for cleaning and disinfecting only.
- Wash and scrub toys thoroughly with soap or detergent and warm water to remove dirt, grime and other germs. **This is the most important step.**
- It is important to clean toys before sanitising them as sanitisers kill germs better on clean surfaces.

#### **Step 2: Rinse**

- Rinse toys with water to remove the dirt, soap residue and germs to make a clean surface.

#### **Step 3: Sanitise**

- Use a baby toy cleaner if you have one.
- Antibacterial surface wipes can be used, just rinse with water again afterwards.
- A tablespoon of bleach diluted in a quart of water is good for metal playthings with rubber wheels.
- Leave the toy to air dry in a clean area out of reach of children.

### **Washing toys in a dishwasher (plastic and wood)**

- Hard toys such as wood and plastic may be washed in the dishwasher. Check instructions on toy first.
- Wash on a complete wash and dry cycle (do not wash with your dirty dishes)

**Remember to wash your hands and wear clean gloves to transfer toys into a box or bag once they are dry.**

Covid-19 can live for 24 hours on cardboard and 3 days on plastic. Therefore, we would ask that once your donation has been cleaned and packed in a bag or box it should be stored for 3 days before donating. Please factor this in when arranging drop off/collection.