



**Our active toy library visits early learning centres every week and together we sing, play, make things and learn all the way!**

Touch celebrates children's right to play. It is our vision to see children in our community thrive in their formative years and that through early learning play based development opportunities, this can be achieved. We want our children to grow into well adjusted, well educated, useful and happy people and by providing them with play based opportunities we can achieve this! The Toy Library makes learning fun, challenging & exciting.


We hope that the information herein will convince you to get involved or to come and play with us!



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TOUCH COMMUNITY NETWORK

*Together Raising A Future Generation*



# TOY LIBRARY

here we learn, laugh, grow & play

A **Cotlands** INITIATIVE SUPPORTED BY **AIR PRODUCTS**

“Children learn as they play,  
most importantly,  
in play, children learn how to learn”

~ O. Fred Donaldson



### Why Play Matters

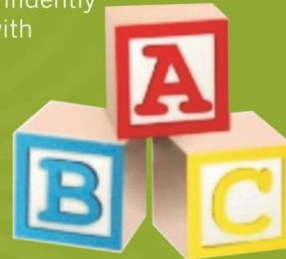
Children acquire the basic skills for formal education through play; namely, math's and language concepts, concentration, gross- & fine motor skills, pencil grip, crossing the midline, imagination- & creative skills, self-confidence and social skills.

Children also:

- \* learn to talk through play
- \* make friends through play
- \* exercise and have fun through play

Research shows that play enhances early development by at least 33% and is significantly related to creative problem solving, co-operative behaviour, logical thinking, IQ scores, and popularity.

All children need to play & have the right to play. To play freely & confidently on their own and with other children.



### Why a Toy Library?

The Touch Toy Library is as an Active Learning Centre which enables carers and parents to have access to a range of educational toys and so saving parents money and keeping children from getting bored.

It functions just like a normal library whereby toys, puzzles and games are lent out and returned. There are also play sessions for families and activities are both indoors and outdoors. A key way in which young children learn is when they are challenged and when they enjoy it and this is why the role of the toy librarian is so essential as she has to:

- \* plan a challenging and resourceful environment;
- \* extend and develop children's language and communication skills;
- \* support spontaneous play; and
- \* support children's learning through planned play activities.

### Contributing to our Community

Through toy lending the library helps to redress an imbalance between poor and more affluent households and/or early learning centers. Isolated or deprived early learning centers benefit by the outreach service rendered by Touch. This helps the carer and/or parent to become more involved with the child's play.

**The library is a community resource for play that includes toys for loan, dedicated space, equipment and passionate, skilled staff.**

In order to give our children the opportunity for healthy development mentally, physically, emotionally and educationally i.e to give them the basis of a healthy, wholesome and a happy life, we must allow them to develop through the way that is most natural to them; and that is through PLAY.

