

Suggested Equipment

For OSCAR Programmes





Children in OSCAR programmes need a good variety of materials and equipment made available to them. Because most OSCAR programmes are set up with limited budgets, it may be necessary for groups to seek sponsorship from local businesses, ask parents and other people in the community to donate unwanted items, or apply to the OSCAR fund for OSCAR funding.

Remember, when out and about shopping for your OSCAR programme don't be afraid to ask for a discount, most businesses big or small are more than happy to give discounts to groups who work with children. Check out flea markets, garage sales, resource centres, and junk banks too. Also find out if you have a toy library in your area.

If you don't have a local toy library it is also helpful to rotate equipment so that different items are highlighted at different times of the year. You may put some items away for a month or two, and then bring them back out again. Or, you may simply re-arrange the way materials are displayed so that children get new ideas for activities as they see new things.

The following tables provide you with lists of some of the programme equipment and materials OSCAR programmes will want to consider providing. For more ideas please contact the OSCN office on (09) 3660320.



Creative Craft Materials

Items	Quantity/Colour
Balloons	•
Box of Pens	
Brushes	
Cardboard (heavy/light)	
Cellophane	
Chalk – Pavement	
Cotton Wool	
Crayons (soft/hard)	
Drawing Pins	
Dye	
Erasers	
Face Paints	
Felt Tips	
Glitter	
Glitter Pens	
Glue Sticks	
Hot Glue Gun	
Marker Pens	
Needles and Cotton	
Paint Black	
Paint Blue	
Paint Red	
Paint White	
Paint Yellow	
Paper – Cartridge	
Paper – Coloured	
Paper – Crepe	
Paper – Newsprint	
Paper – Tissue	
Paper – White	
Pencils – Coloured	
Pencils – Plain	
Plastic Drop Cloth	
PVA Glue	
Recyclable Collage Material	
Rubber Bands	
Rulers	
Scissors (large/small)	
Sellotape	
Squeeze Bottles	
Stapler and Staples	
String	
Wool	

Suggested Suppliers: Warehouse Stationery, The Warehouse, \$2 Shop, Emporiums, School Supplies, Spotlight





Active Play Equipment & Materials

Items	Quantity/Colour
Basket Ball	
Rugby Ball	
Netball	
Soccer Ball	
Large Plastic Ball	
Small Plastic Ball	
Tennis Balls	
Elastics	
Padder Tennis Bats	
Tee Ball Set	
Skipping ropes	
Hula Hoops	
Pavement Chalk	
Whistles (for staff)	
Ribbons/bibs	
Net Bag for Balls	
Cricket Bats	
Cricket Wickets	
Badminton Rackets	
Badminton Shuttles	
Table Tennis Bats	
Ping Pong Balls	
Water Slide	
Low Impact Balls	
Koosh Ball	
Plastic Marker Cones	
Swing Ball	
Plastic Hockey Sticks	
Net	
Ball Pump	
Hacky Sacs	
Frisbee	

Suggested Suppliers: Sports Distributors, The Warehouse, K-Mart, Emporiums





Imaginative Play Materials, Games & Toys

Items	Quantity/Colour
Books	-
Chess	
Connect 4	
Costume Jewellery	
Dominoes	
Draughts	
Dress Ups	
Jigsaw Puzzles	
Junior Monopoly	
Junior Scrabble	
Knucklebones	
Lego/K-Nex	
Marbles	
Non-Working Items: Typewriter, Cash Register,	
Phones etc	
Pick Up Sticks	
Playing Cards	
Raceway Materials	
Sheets, Blankets – Hut making	
Small Figure Dolls – GI Joe	
Small Figure Dolls - Dinosaurs	
Small Figure Dolls – Farm Animals	
Small Figure Dolls - Barbie	
Snakes and Ladders	
Toy Cars	
Toy Money	
Twister	

Suggested Suppliers: Toy Warehouse, The Warehouse, \$2 Shop, Second Hand Shops, Emporiums, K-Mart





Kitchen Cupboard

Items	Quantity/Colour
Anti-Bacterial Soap	
Bowls	
Broom	
Bucket	
Chopping Board	
Cleaning Detergents	
Cutlery	
Dish Cloths	
Dishwashing Liquid	
Fish slice	
Hand Towels	
Kitchen knife	
Мор	
Mugs	
Paper Towels	
Plastic Cups	
Plastic Drink Container	
Plates	
Pot Scrubber	
Rubbish Bags	
Rubbish Bin	
Storage Bins	
Tea Towels	
Tongs	
Wooden Spoons	

Suggested Suppliers: Supermarkets, The Warehouse, \$2 Shop, Second Hand Shops, Payless Plastics, Emporiums, K-Mart, Briscoes





Additional Items & Furnishings

Item	Quantity/Colour
Bean Bag Chairs and or Couch	
Blankets and Pillows	
Calculator	
Cash Tin	
Check In/Out Table	
Comfy Cushions	
Files for Family Records and Administration	
Filing Cabinet	
First Aid Kit	
Fridge for Perishable Snack Items	
Notice Board	
Phone/Mobile phone	
Receipt Book	
Rugs	
Shelving Units (lockable if in a shared space)	
Snack Table	
Sunscreen	
Table and Chairs	
Transistor Radio	

Suggested Suppliers: The Warehouse, Warehouse Stationery, K-Mart, Supermarkets, Dick Smith Electronics