## One Kids Place – Therapeutic Recreation

## **Busy Bins**

Activity	Materials Needed	Directions
Lacing	Large beads or buttons and pipe cleaners.	Have your child lace the pipe cleaners through the beads or buttons.
Scissors	Scraps of paper, cardboard, ribbons, etc. and scissors	Let your child cut the pieces of paper and household items.
Playdough	Playdough and small toys	Your child can build trees or furniture for the toys, or put in rolling pins and scissors for them to make shapes out of the playdough.
Lego	Various kinds of Lego	Let your child's imagination run and create a lego master piece.
Digging	Construction toys and rocks	Encourage your child to play with the rocks and dig a hole and create a pile.
Sorting	Coloured items (pom poms, small toys) and corresponding coloured bowls	Have your child sort all of the items into the correct coloured bowls.
Word Puzzles	Word Search Books, mazes, word puzzles	Create a box of wood searches, crossword puzzles, connect the dots, etc for your child to complete.
Letters	Foam letters and items that start with those letters	Have your child match each item with the letter than it starts with.
Water play	Water, soap, toys	Give your toys a bath! Or set up a car wash!
Tea Party	Tea set and items to pour with tea set, such as water or rice or beans	Let your child pour their toys a tea party, children will love filling up cups and handing them out to friends and then refilling them.
Dinosaur dig	Dinosaur toys, sand or rice	Cover the dinosaurs in sand and rice and have your child find all of the dinosaurs in the box.