

## TELSTRA KIDS FUND GRANTS

Towards the end of 2015 we were extremely fortunate to be nominated for Telstra Kids Fund Grants by Jamie, Bobbie, David, Gary and Stephen. Thanks to their support we were able to purchase a range of equipment for use by students across the school.

All of the equipment we ordered has finally arrived and is being put to very good use. Equipment includes:



**Fiddle Toys** - used at all times of the day, in School and in the community. They are often calming for children with high anxiety.

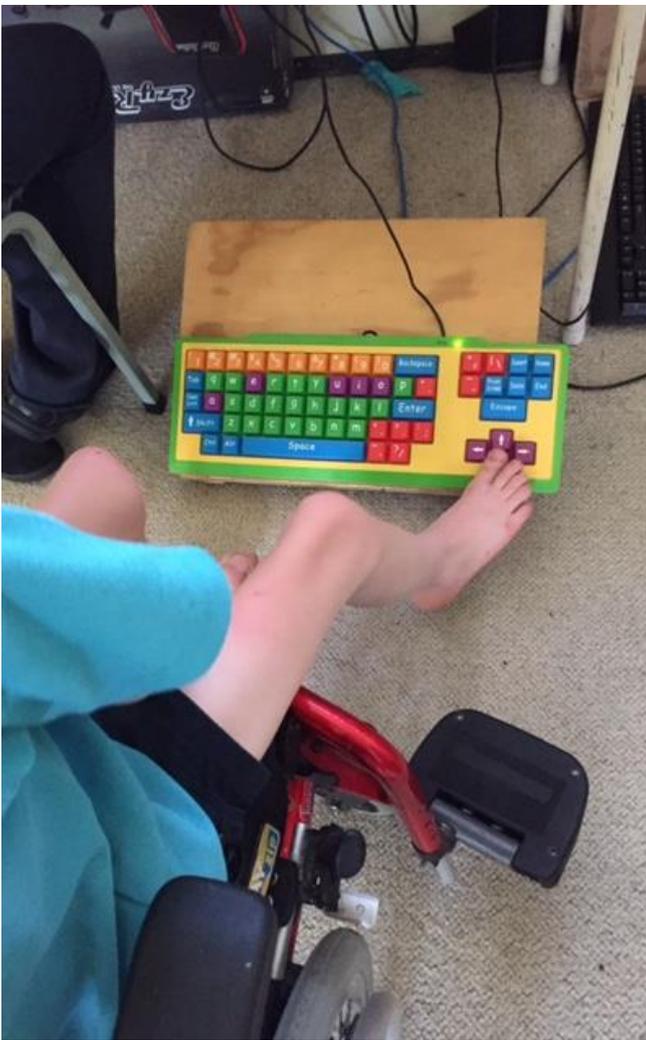
**Body Roller** Students crawl between two padded rollers which provide deep pressure all over. Deep pressure is calming for many students, it also helps them to develop spatial awareness. The body rollers can be used indoors or outdoors.



### **Easy Rider Scooters**

The easy rider scooters are wonderful for all students but especially those that have difficulty sitting and pedalling regular bikes they are low to the ground and have good seat support.





**Large key Computer Keyboards** have large keys with letters in lower case. The keys are different colours differentiating vowels, consonants, numbers and functions. These are ideal for our junior classes and less busy than a regular keyboard. One of our students uses his feet to type and these keyboards have keys just the right size for his toes and are easy for him to use.

**Sensory Activity Boards** - wonderful for individual students as well as for turn taking in pairs or small groups. The boards can move with us when we move into our new school.



### **Lego Big, Soft Blocks**

The Lego big soft blocks are safe if thrown or bitten and can be used to build big structures. They are wonderful for our play skills groups to teach turn taking and sharing.



### **Sensory Switch Activity Centres**

These two specialized switch access toys are wonderful to use as motivators, for speech sessions and as part of group sessions. Students enjoy, and are motivated by, the movement and the sound.



**An adult tricycle** allows students to ride a bike without having to balance on two wheels. They are a great physiotherapy exercise and can be used by students who cannot walk.

