

## Home Safety - Parents/Carers Notes

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### The Birthday Party

The aim of this book is to encourage children to become more aware of potential dangers at home and to develop an understanding of how to keep themselves and others safe from harm

#### **Homework Activity 1 -**

Read the title of the book together. Ask: What type of birthday party is it? (Fancy Dress)

Read the blurb on the back cover. Ask: Do you think the party will be ready in time?

Read the book together. Ask your child to spot the dangers in the pictures on each page and point to them.

**Dangers in the book:** Toys on the floor, Pot handle turned out (grabbing distance), Knife left on counter, Liquitabs and cleaning product cupboard accessible, Children using scissors unsupervised, Books/objects on the stairs, medicine in bathroom within reach, Blind cord, Child skating in the kitchen, Children throwing baking mixture around causing potential slip hazard, Boy touching hot tap.

#### **Homework Activity 2 -**

Look at the dangers shown in the pictures again.

Ask: Why do you think this is dangerous?

Ask: How could it be made safer?

E.g. Lift the toys off the floor and put them in a toy box, keep cleaning products in a cupboard out of reach or in a locked cupboard.

#### **Homework Activity 3 -**

Say: Imagine that you are one of the Safe-T-Crew members. You have to use your powers of observation to check for dangers around our home.

It could be a toy lying on the floor, a book on the stairs or a knife/scissors within reach. Your child can either take a photo of the danger and print or draw a picture. This should be taken into school for a follow-up activity to be completed in class.