



SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES TO CHILDREN IN HOSPITALS : USE AND UTILITY

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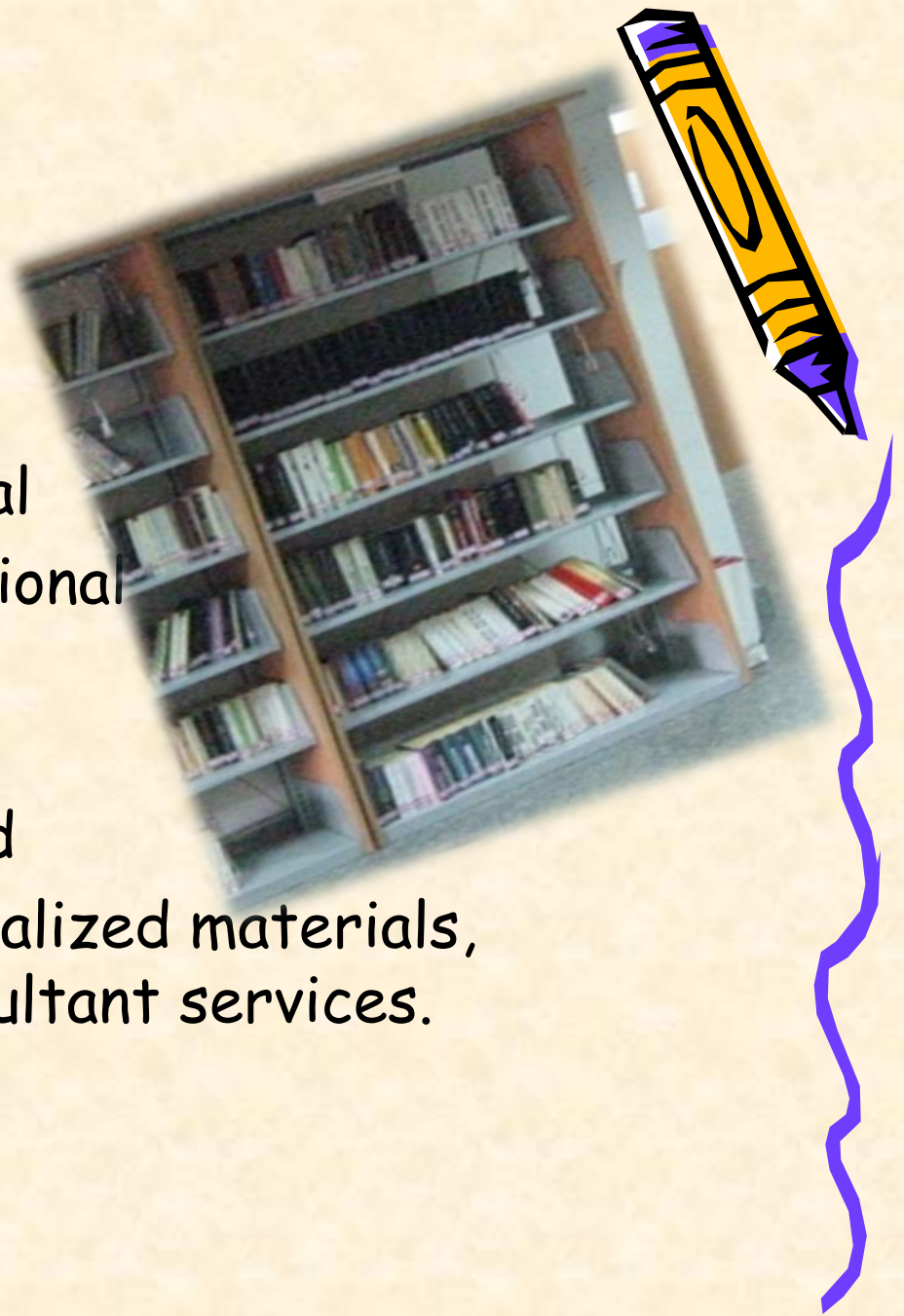


During a child's hospitalization, family life is disrupted, physical aspects of normal life such as eating, sleeping and hygiene arrangements are altered while emotional and psychological needs are changed. The child have right to accurate information and right to access educational information services which are available and timely.



Introduction

- The therapeutic value of information and education
- The school library in hospital
- Accessible adequate educational information resources
- Maintain their compulsory education period
- Library programs with specialized materials, research services, and consultant services.





Educational Aims of Hospital Schools are to:

- continue compulsory education
- reduce the effects of psychological trauma
- share educational problems; and
- offer good opportunities to self-realization



Literature Review



There are three general studies in Turkey:

1 - Köksal (1978): Library services for patients in Hacettepe University, Ankara.

2 - Kılıç (2003): Organization of hospital schools.

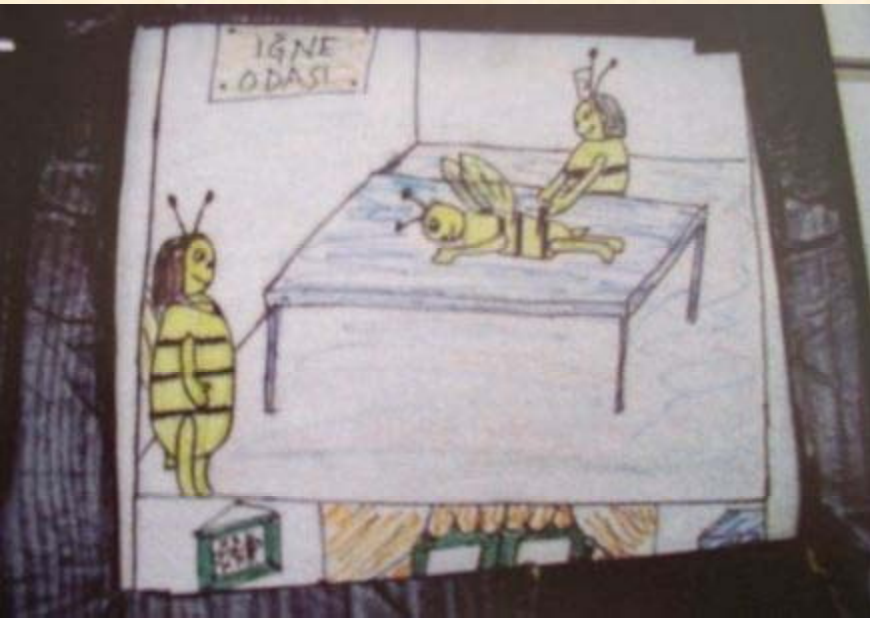
3 - Tuncel (2009): Visual arts education in elementary hospital schools.



The Research

Every school (57 837) has a school library and every public library (1096) has also children's library services in Turkey. 47 school libraries in hospitals are organized in Turkey since 1970's.





The Research: Legislations



MONE approved :

- School Libraries By-law (2001);
- Special education and A Guide for Management (2008);
- Legislation for Educational Services in Home and Hospital (2010).



The Research



• Aims

- to share information;
- to generalize factors
- **Research questions:**
- How does the nature?
- Which factors?
- Do we establish partnerships?

• Sample

- In Turkey
- Focus on Ankara
- 67 Children aged between 6 - 14 years
- A total of 11 libraries
- Between December 2010 and April 2011



Schools

- Ankara Atatürk Sanatorium Hospital Elementary School
- Ankara Hospital Elementary School
- Ankara Oncology Hospital Elementary School
- Ankara Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Education and Research Hospital Elementary School
- Ankara University Medical Faculty Hospital Elementary School
- Dr. Sami Ulus Children Hospital Elementary School
- GATA Children Oncology Elementary School
- Gazi University Medical Faculty Hospital Elementary School
- Hacettepe University Children Hospital Elementary School
- LOSEV - LOSANTE Children Hospital Elementary School
- TC SB. Ankara Children Medical Hospital Elementary School



Results: Educational Environments in Hospitals

- Library place
- Staff
- Volunteers
- User
- Collection
- Budget



Results: Services

Bedside book cart service

Reference and information services

Leisure and recreational activities

Child-related bulletin boards

Exhibit cases

Music works

Cooperation with other libraries



Results: Services

Health information services

Inpatients and outpatients user groups

Discussions

A talking book collections

Borrow materials

Interlibrary loan

Storytelling

Games and puzzles



Evaluation: Education Programs

- Length of stay
- Different schools and books
- Educational materials
- Requirements
- Allowance system
- Quantity and quality
- Working hours



Evaluation: Children

- Services
- Education
- Games and storytelling
- Meeting with other children
- Reader's advisory



Recommended changes

information
skills

New books

Games

Helping for
schoolwork

Reading
programs

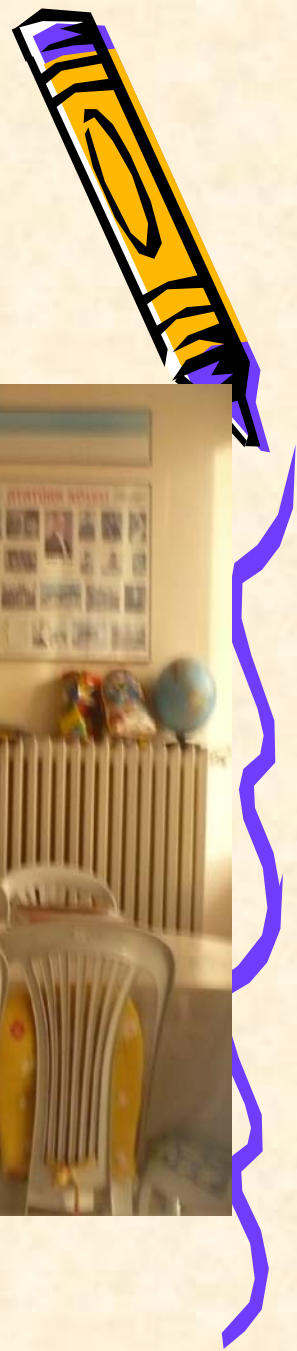
Giving
Health
information
services

Toys



Findings

- Using library
- Supporting
- Effective cooperation
- Traditional factors
- Maximize uses
- Quality services



Conclusion

School library users in hospitals have potential for learning and succeeding academically if they have been sported from their schools, communities, and families.





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