



Here at Four Seasons Community School, we use this symbol as a non-verbal cue that whatever it is on is unavailable to the children. You will see these in the Puffins through Swallowtails classrooms. We also have them on the exterior doors of the school. We give gentle reminders when needed and peers even give each other a message when they see them.

We have heard feedback that a parent was having a hard time getting a “hands off” message across to their children at home on a “junk” drawer (sharp objects, permanent markers, etc). They put one of these symbols on it and they haven’t had any more attempts from the children to go into it.

You’re more than welcome to try this if you need to place some boundaries on materials/furniture/spaces in your home.