

# **HOME SAFETY TIPS**







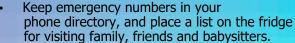
## FAMILY HOME SAFETY TIPS

FIRST AID

KIT

### Be Prepared for Emergencies ...

- Buy or assemble a first-aid kit.
- Prepared a disaster survival kit.





### **Address Dangers Around Your Home** to Prevent Accidents ...

- Make sure entrances are well lit.
- Keep walkways, stairs, and halls clear.
- Place nonstop stickers or a mat on the bottom of the tub and in the shower.
- Turn down the hot water heater to 49 degrees C .(120 degrees F.)

### ome Fire Safety Tips ...

Keep a fire extinguisher in the kitchen, workshop, garage, and near bedrooms. Monitor the extinguisher pressure.



- Install smoke detectors in all bedrooms, outside their doors, and in hallways leading to them; at tops of stairs; in basement den or office. Test monthly; replace batteries annually.
- Keep bedroom doors closed a night.
- Practice your emergency escape route.



### Be Cautious in What you **Share Online ...**

Don't share information that

could compromise your safety. That means don't advertise that you are going on vacation or to the hospital for a long stay.

- Never use "out of office replies" on your personal email accounts. Anyone could send you an email to easily find out that you are out of town—and how long you'll be absent.
- Turn off geo-tagging on your cell phone camera. If you post an item for sale on Craigslist, eBay, or a similar site, a savvy burglar with a free geo-tag reader will know the exact location of that boat or car or piece of jewelry you're selling and may come to get it.

### Childproof, no matter your kids' ages...

- Create a safe environment for kids of all ages.
- For toddlers, install cordless blinds or curtains throughout your home to prevent choking.
- With young children, make sure you have nonslip rugs in your house.
- For pre-teens, install parental controls on the

## SAVE YOUR HOME FROM A BREAK-IN

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#### Store Valuables Carefully ...

Upgrade your secret hiding places to ones that are harder to detect. A

simple solutions is keeping important documents in your child's room. Thieves often scour drawers in the master bedroom but tend to leave children's rooms untouched. Just make sure it's a place your child can't easily access, like on a high closet shelf.

# Install your Security System

in the right spot ...
Decorative glass or large
windows may be important for
your front entrance feng-shuid



your front entrance feng-shui, but they also make easy for burglars to see inside your home. Install your security keypad in a spot that is not visible from the doorstep so no one can see if your alarm is set. your front entrance feng-shui, but they also make is set.



### Get Rid of that Mail Slot ...

Having one is basically asking burglars to rob your house. A mail slot goes against the wood grain,

slot goes against the wood grain weakening the horizontal integrity of a door and making it easier to kick in. Opt for a mailbox, or install your slot near the bottom of the front door install your slot near the bottom of the front door, no higher than a quarter of the way up.

### Keep Keys Next to your Bed ...

Giving car keys a permanent home on your nightstand is a sure way to never lose them again, and it can



ward off suspicious activity. If you hear an unusual noise and suspect that someone is trying to break into your car or home, press the "Panic" button on your key ring. The car alarm will sound, and the intruder will have no choice but to flee the scene.



### Add Thorny Shrubs to your Landscape ...

Here's a tip you won't learn at a gardening center: Your plants can

act as a barrier between your home and sneaky intruders. Plan thorny shrubs, such as rosebushes, beneath ground-floor windows. They'll add beauty to your garden and deter burglars.

# Let your Neighbours be your Eyes ...

Ask your neighbour to check daily for flyers stuck in your front door. Crafty criminals may leave pizza ads in doors to see how long it takes for residents to remove them. Stop newspaper and mail delivery until you return.





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Headwaters Real Estate Recap: FEBRUARY 2018

The springtime market is fast approaching in the **Headwaters area**. "With **2 months** behind us in **2018**, we can start to see a trend in this year's real estate market in **Dufferin**, **Caledon**, **Erin and Orangeville**. Again inventory is much better than it was one year ago. In Orangeville we currently have over **60 available listings** on the market compared to **26** in **February of 2017**. Sales have decreased in the Headwaters area by **23**% comparing this February to last February. The most active price range in Orangeville to date this year is



between \$500,000 to \$700,000 with 60% of Orangeville sales. Under the \$500,000 mark saw 30% of sales to date. Only 3 sales have occurred in Orangeville over the \$700,000 mark so far this year. Current average list price in the town of Orangeville sits at \$597,846, with an average of 45 days on the market. Obviously the market has cooled down compared to the insanity of early 2017 not only in the Headwaters, but the GTA as well. We will see what the springtime brings!" ~ Dave

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