

# Sandwich Partnership for Families



## Your Community Connection for you and your child to thrive!

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## January Newsletter

### Discovery Center News:

Drop-in playgroups at the Forestdale School will continue to run each morning from 10-11:30 every weekday but Tuesday. Charity will lead the group on Mondays & Fridays, and Miss Chris will lead on Wednesdays & Thursdays. Discovery Center Will be Closed on Monday January 15<sup>th</sup> for the holiday & on Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup> for the Art Field Trip (see below). We will follow the Sandwich School Closings in case of dangerous weather conditions.

### **Discovery Center "After-Hours" Playgroup, Wednesdays, 4-5:30, Jan. 10- Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, Forestdale School.**

Mornings are busy, but afternoons are long, dark & c-o-l-d? Come over & play where it's warm, free & fun! Perfect for teachers & other families heading home after work or school, best for children ages 5 & under.

**Thursday, January 25, 5:30-7- P.J. Playdate- Calling all Night Owls!** We'll have bedtime stories & lullabies after we play. Bring your dinner if you like, or just share a snack. *Perfect for families that can't join us during the day.* Please let us know your coming by emailing [lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us](mailto:lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us) or calling Lauren at 508-477-6600, ext. 132

### New Programs for 2018

#### **Yoga For Every Body with Jess Melville, Tuesday morning Jan. 9-Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-11:30, Oak Crest Cove**

The Sandwich Recreation Department, at **34 Quaker Meetinghouse Rd.**, hosts this 6 week session of relaxation and gentle stretching for young children, ages 2-5 & their family members. FREE class, thanks to the Sandwich Kiwanis, but you **must** register at [www.sandwichrec.recdesk.com](http://www.sandwichrec.recdesk.com)

#### **Weekly Coffee Club Group Chat, Tuesdays from 3:45-5, beginning Jan.9 in the Forestdale School Library**

Take a break from your busy day to enjoy some "me time" with other adults raising young children. Miss Chris will join the conversation, while your little ones play in the Discovery Center. Please register for childcare by emailing [lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us](mailto:lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us) with your name, and the names & ages of the children you will be bringing,

#### **Wednesday Afternoons at 1:30 FREE Parent & Preschooler Art class with Susan Fellows of East Side Studios**

Generously funded through the Sandwich Kiwanis in collaboration with the Sandwich Arts Alliance. A new project each week for children & adults alike to create together, led by a professional artist & former preschool director. Please register by emailing [lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us](mailto:lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us) with your name, and the name & age of your child.

### Community Partner Programs:

#### **Fridays, January 5- March 9, 9:30-11:30 Young Athletes Special Olympics Program! with Sandwich Recreation**

This FREE, unique sports & play program focuses on fun activities important to mental and physical growth. This program is an early introduction to sports & the world of Special Olympics. Any child ages 2-7, whose parent feels their child would benefit from this program is encouraged to call Tricia at the Sandwich Rec. Dept. at 508-888-4361, ext. 14

#### **Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 9:30-11 Three Little Pigs Puppet Show & Pancake Breakfast, Sandwich Public Library**

Join us for a pancake breakfast with all the fixings and then enjoy our Three Little Pigs puppet show. One show only! The puppet show is best suited for children ages preschool and up. Seating is limited. FREE, thanks to funding from the Sandwich Kiwanis, but you must register for this event online for starting 12/30/17.

#### **Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 5-6:30 Home Is Where The Heart Is Adoption Support Group- Note Earlier Start Time!**

Facilitated by the nice folks from Adoption Journeys, this group is open to all foster/guardian/adoption/kinship families.

Free pizza & Discovery Center playtime provided for those who preregister by emailing [lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us](mailto:lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us)

#### **Monday, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10-11, Field Trip to the Cotuit Center for the Arts for a free Special Children's Art Gallery Tour.**

Meet Miss Charity there- last year's tour was a blast! For directions & more, visit their website [www.cotuitcenterforthearts.org](http://www.cotuitcenterforthearts.org)

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