

# Sandwich Partnership for Families

*Always fun, always free public programs of the Sandwich Schools, open to all families with young children.*

## April Newsletter

Want to make Mother's Day more meaningful? Ever wish you could reach out & help a struggling new mother in need? Now's your chance! The United Way of Cape Cod is holding a Cape Community Baby Shower for 50 high-need expectant & new mothers. Your donation of any small item- Booties? Bibs? Onesies? Rattles? are all appreciated to add to the gift basket each mom will be receiving. The Discovery Center will be collecting & delivering them. **Last day for donations is Friday April 12<sup>th</sup>.**

### Special Events:

#### Family Outdoor Adventure Day 1-4 p.m., Sat. April 6 at Oak Crest Cove, Sandwich Rec. Dept.

This free event is designed to excite, educate, encourage & familiarize families with outdoor recreation so they can confidently enjoy the "Great Outdoors" together. Raindate 4/7. See reverse side for more details!

#### Good Grief! Helping Children to Deal with Loss w/Amy Wyman Tues. April 23, 6:30 p.m.

Forestdale School Learn how to have difficult conversations, react sensitively & age-appropriately to children's questions & behaviors, & techniques to help children's healing. EEC Training hours available. **No cost but you must register for free childcare by Mon. April 22** by emailing [Imelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us](mailto:Imelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us)

#### Field Trip to the Herring Run, 10-11:30, Mon. April 29<sup>th</sup> with Ranger Sam Gray, USACE

meet at the Herring Run Recreation Area, Bourne (main land side). No Discovery Center Today!

#### The Discovery Center Play and Learn Groups at the Forestdale School:

##### Drop-in Playgroups:

- Wednesday Drop-in Playgroup 9:30-11 continues, welcoming children from infancy to school-age.
- Fridays 9:30-10:30 Basically for Babies Drop in Playgroup, (0-2) siblings welcome, with Lauren G.
- Fridays, 11-12:30 Munch-A-Bunch-A-Lunch Drop in group also with Lauren G.
- Monday & Thursday Registered Play Groups end April 26<sup>th</sup>

*We will be closed April 15-19 for spring vacation.*

### Community Partner Programs:

-Saturday, April 13, 9:30-10:15 Last Session of Lap Babies with Kathy Gattoni, Sandwich Public Library  
For babies ages birth-20 months. Includes stories, songs, and discussion time for parents. Meets Saturdays; March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30; April 13 and 20. Cosponsored by the Sandwich Partnership & the Friends of the Sandwich Library. Free but you must register at [www.sandwichpubliclibrary.com](http://www.sandwichpubliclibrary.com) event calendar

-Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 5-6:30 Home Is Where The Heart Is Adoption Support Group, Forestdale School.  
Facilitated by Val Perry from Adoption Journeys, this group is open to all foster/guardian/adoption/kinship families. Pizza & Discovery Center playtime provided free by emailing [Imelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us](mailto:Imelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us) by 4/23.

- Fridays, April 12- Last Day of 9:30-10:30, Young Athletes with the Sandwich Rec. Dept.  
No cost sports program of fun activities important for physical & mental growth of children ages 2-8.

**This program is also made possible through the generosity of the Sandwich Kiwanis**

**Save The Dates!** Registered Playgroups end April 26<sup>th</sup>, but never fear! We got you covered for every day of the week! Monday Meet-Ups, Tuesday Story Yoga, Wednesday Playground Playgroup, Thursday Music Class, Friday Baby Group AND Little Naturalists! In case of inclement weather, all programs will be held indoors.

**Keep In Touch!** Our Twitter Handle: @sandpartnership. Or LIKE our Facebook Page: **Sandwich Partnership for Families**. Visit our webpage for our Google Calendar: [www.sandwichpartnership.org](http://www.sandwichpartnership.org). Call the Sandwich Partnership Office at 508-477-6600 x. 132, email us at: [Imelillo@sandwichk12.ma.us](mailto:Imelillo@sandwichk12.ma.us), or mail us c/o Forestdale School, 151 Route 130, Forestdale, MA 02644.

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