

# Sandwich Partnership for Families



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

## Winter 2022 NEWSLETTER

Welcome 2022! The New Year always brings the promise of better days to come, and this year is no exception. While we may struggle with the challenges of winter weather, we know each day brings us closer to spring and brighter days to come. We are offering a mix of in-person outdoor programs, and programs for you to enjoy virtually from the comfort of your own home, to keep everyone safe and healthy.

### \*\*\*\*Weekly Programs\*\*\*\*

**Mondays, January 10th - February 14th, 10 a.m.- Yoga with Miss Britt on Zoom** Just clear a space on the floor, put on some comfy clothes, and get ready to stretch, breath, and move creatively.

**Beginning Tuesday, January 11th- Story Stretchers Make and Take Crafts at the Sandwich Library** Make the library your family fun destination this winter! Every other week, starting 1/10, enjoy a new Story Walk title around the grounds of the library that will be posted for the following two weeks. Then pop into the Children's Room to pick up your story related activity, and check out some other new titles to enjoy!

**Tuesdays, January 11th- February 15th, 10 a.m. Little Scientists Zoom Lab!** Miss Lea will have some cool experiments, magic mixtures, and physics fun to try at home, using household ingredients and supplies. Bookbags with extension materials will be available on a limited basis.

**Wednesdays, January 12th- February 16th, 10 a.m.- Stroller Walk and Talk with Miss Amy** Bundle up and enjoy a brisk walk with baby, while chatting with other moms. We will sing songs, learn fingerplays and share activity ideas for the very littlest. When wet weather cancels, a Zoom Baby Sign class will be held at the same time. Meet at the Sand Hill School for a stroller-friendly route.

**Thursdays, January 13th- February 17th, 10 a.m.: Toddler Tones In Motion with Miss Amy on Zoom** Sing and dance, learn musical games and creative activities to play together at home.

**Fridays, January 14- February 18th: Field Trip Fridays Continue!** Outdoor adventures continue, as long as it is safe to travel. When we can't get outside, indoor activity backpacks will be ready for you to pick up at the Wing School.

**MUST REGISTER for each selection to receive notifications of virtual and in person programs!** Please register [here](#).

### \*\*Community Partner Programs & Information\*\*

**Tuesday, January 11th, 7-8:30 p.m.: What's Your Problem Anyway? A discussion on social problem solving with Jeanine Fitzgerald via Zoom,** brought to you by the Cape and Islands CFCE grants. Must register at

**Saturday, January 29, 10 a.m. Three Goats Storytelling Adventure, Sandwich Public Library**

**Saturday, February 19th, 10 a.m. Little Red Riding Hood Storytelling Adventure, Sandwich Public Library** Enjoy the outdoor story walk of these classic folk tales, then settle in for another version with your Sandwich Library Children's Room friends. Register through [www.sandwichpubliclibrary.com](http://www.sandwichpubliclibrary.com) Event Calendar to participate.

**Thursday, January 19th, & February 16th, 7:30--8:30- Home Is Where The Heart Is Adoption Support Group, via Zoom** Facilitated by the nice folks from Adoption Journeys, this group is open to all foster/guardian/adoption/kinship families who need an understanding & safe space to connect with others on this "journey". Register by emailing Val Perry at [vperry@cfservices.org](mailto:vperry@cfservices.org)

### \*\*\* Sandwich Partnership Council Meeting\*\*\*

**Monday, February 10th, 1-2 p.m. via Zoom** Agenda Items include CFCE Coordinator Succession Planning, new goals and priorities, and a look ahead into spring 2022. Email [lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us](mailto:lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us) for an invitation!

**\*\*\*Ongoing Sandwich Partnership Opportunities for Families\*\*\***

**Ages and Stages Questionnaires** are available for every age child up to age 6! It is an important tool to understand your child's growth as well as to promote their development and learning. Please take the time to click on the ASQ link <https://www.asqonline.com/family/cd703b> if you have not yet done so yet this year. We will be checking in with you to see if we can offer any assistance, and to follow up on those that have been done.

**Play It Safe Sandwich! Meeting January 3rd, 7:30 p.m.** Everyone is invited to help repair, restore and expand our Sandwich Adventure Community Playground, located at 64 Quaker Meetinghouse Rd. While the playground was gifted to the town, no funds were earmarked to maintain it. The Sandwich Partnership has been awarded some community grant funds to begin repairs to the Toddler section, but we are hoping for family involvement to complete repairs, and possibly extend the play features. If you would like to be part of the subcommittee to explore funding, features and community involvement for this project, please contact Lauren at [lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us](mailto:lmelillo@sandwich.k12.ma.us).

**\*\*\*Special Note on COVID Protocol for Sandwich Partnership for Families Programming\*\*\***

**Due to the rising levels of infection, all indoor programming is currently suspended. In addition, you are required to wear a face covering outdoors, if unable to distance yourself from others at least six feet.**

**\*\*\* Family Finance Resources\*\*\***

**Struggling with bills, food costs, mortgage or rent? Dialing 211** for assistance with any basic need or social service inquiry, including mental health resources, will get you to a live operator who will work with you to track down help in your community.

Your CFCE friends are also here to help you connect with the nice folks from WIC, Headstart, Housing Assistance, A Baby Center, Mobile Dental- just to name a few. All inquiries are kept confidential!

*Check our website for more Family Resources ([www.sandwichpartnership.com](http://www.sandwichpartnership.com))* Our Twitter Handle: **@sandpartnership**. LIKE our **Facebook Page Sandwich Partnership for Families**. Visit our webpage for our Google Calendar: [www.sandwichpartnership.com](http://www.sandwichpartnership.com). Email us at: [lmelillo@sandwichk12.ma.us](mailto:lmelillo@sandwichk12.ma.us), these programs made possible by a Coordinated Community & Family Engagement Grant (CFCE) of the Mass. Dept. of Early Education & Care to the Sandwich Public Schools

