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The Protective Factors: Social Connections

The Protective Factors are strenaths all families may have and can build upon that support resilient, thriving children and families. They are: parental resilience, social connections, knowledge of parenting & child development, concrete support in times of need, and social & emotional competence of children. These factors help to reduce stress, enhance wellbeing and positive parent-child relationships that are the foundation for healthy development in children. This month, our focus is on social connections. We all need support, and having a solid support network can help families enjoy special moments with those they love, rely on friends and family when in need, and share the load of everyday stressors with others who understand what we are going through.

The pandemic has made social connections more of a challenge than usual, and we are not meant to parent alone. That is why we are happy to offer a safe and supportive community for families in Leelanau County with various opportunities for social connections: playgroups, community events, and home visiting.

Summer is a natural time to gather together. The days are longer, the warm and sunny weather draws us outside. We hope everyone enjoys their summer and that you can join us at playgroups and community events that we are so excited to host in the coming months.

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Save the date for our family-friendly community events!



June

June 8: Baby & Toddler Clothing & Toy Swap, 5-7pm at the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Dept. (BLDHD)

June 11: Parent Cafe – coffee & conversation for parents and playgroup for children, 10–11:30am, BLDHD (registration required)

July

July 9: Parent Cafe - coffee & conversation for parents and playgroup for children, 10-11:30am, BLDHD (registration required)

July 16: Family Street Fair – family fun, carnival–style, resources for families, food truck, 10am–2pm, BLDHD

August

August 9: Miriam Pico - Mindful & Musical, music & fun for families, dinner included, 5–7pm, Herman Park

August 13: Parent Cafe - coffee & conversation for parents and playgroup for children, 10–11:30am, BLDHD (registration required)



Summer Safety

important summer safety

June marks the official beginning of summer so we wanted to share important summer safety tips for your family to stay safe while enjoying our beautiful Leelanau summer!

In the water

- Always have an adult within arms reach of children when in & near water ("touch supervision")
- Children should have properfitting life preservers. "Floaties" are not a substitution for Coast Guard approved life jackets.
- Children should wear life jackets at all times on boats, docks, and near bodies of water
- Be aware of rip currents & the weather forecast
- It is a good idea to know CPR
- Swim lessons are recommended for children 2+ or younger if near water often

Out & about

- Never leave your child in a car even with the windows open cars can become dangerously hot in a matter of minutes
- Use insect repellant in wooded & high grass areas. Always check for ticks immediately after being outdoors & at the end of the day.
- It is a good idea to run clothing through the dryer on high heat to kill any ticks and to bathe your child to spot & remove any ticks
- Keep a few first aid supplies in your vehicle







In the sun

- The sun's rays are strongest between 10am-4pm, limit time in the sun during these hours
- Apply sunscreen 30 minutes before going out & reapply every 2 hours
- Babies under 6 months should stay out of direct sunlight, wear lightweight clothing & brimmed hats, and stay in the shade as much as possible
- Stay hydrated! Offer water to your children over 1 year of age frequently
- Take breaks from the heat & allow for extra rest time

At the park

- Always supervise children on play equipment
- Look for play equipment that is developmentally appropriate for your child
- Children should always wear helmets when riding bicycles, scooters, roller skates, or skateboards
- Look for helmets that have a sticker that says it meets the CPSC safety standard



Celebrating Dads!

Happy Father's Day to all our Parenting Communities dads!

Dads - You are a role model for the next generation and we love and appreciate all that you do! We hope you enjoy your special day. With love,

the Parenting Communities team



JUNE/JUNIO 2022 EVENTS!

For Leelanau families with children ages 0-6 Para familias de Leelanau con niños de 0-6 años



PLAYGROUPS

WEDNESDAYS/ **MIERCOLES**

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TUESDAYS/MARTES

MYLES KIMMERLY PARK JUN 7, 14, 21, 28 10-11AM

NORTHPORT MARINA (RAIN LOC. TRINITY CHURCH) JUN 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 10-11AM

(5toONE/PC) GREAT LAKES CHILDREN'S MUSEUM JUN 8 & 22 10-11:30AM

> **CHERRY BEND COMMUNITY PARK** JUN 1 & 15 10-11AM

FRIDAYS/VIERNES

THURSDAYS/JUEVES

NEDOWS BEACH RAIN LOC. LELAND LIBRARY *ENGLISH AND SPANISH JUN 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10:30-11:30AM

SUTTONS BAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL JUN 10, 17, 24 10-11AM

> **SUTTONS BAY LIBRARY** JUN 3 10-11AM

COMMUNITY EVENTS

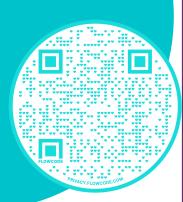
WEDNESDAY/MIERCOLES JUNE 8th-5-7pm

BABY & TODDLER CLOTHING & TOY SWAP

BENZIE-LEELANAU DIST. HEALTH DEPT. MORE_INFORMATION, CALL COURTNEY AT 231-882-6500

SATURDAY/SABADO JUNE 11th- 10-11:30AM

PARENT CAFE & PLAYGROUP BENZIE-LEELANAU DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT. *REGISTRATION REQUIRED



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June/Junio 2022



Parenting Communities Calendar/Calendario

SUNDAY DOMINGO	MONDAY LUNES	TUESDAY MARTES	WEDNESDAY MIERCOLES	THURSDAY JUEVES	FRIDAY VIERNES	SATURDAY SABADO
		31 PC Playgroup 10am-11am Myles Kimmerly Park SB Library Story Time 10:30	1 PC Playgroup 10am-11am Northport Marina Rain loc: Trinity Church 10-11am Cherry Bend Community Park	2 PC Playgroup 10:30am-11:30am Nedows Beach Rain location Leland Library Leelanau Twp. Library Storytime 10:30am GL Library Storytime 11am	3 PC Playgroup 10am-11am SB Library	4
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To schedule an appointment at the Health Dept. for immunizations, WIC, or reproductive health, please call: (231) 256-0200, option 3



Scan the QR code to visit our <u>website</u> for information about our services, staff contact information, newsletter sign-up, or to make a referral



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