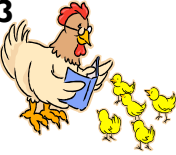


FAMILY, FRIEND, AND NEIGHBOR CONNECTIONS

August-September 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
*Community events • Play and Learns		1 • <u>Play & Learn</u> Sun Ray Library 2105 Wilson Ave 10:30—12pm	2	3	4	5
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Do You Know? About Play and Learn Groups?

What is a Play and Learn group? It is a relaxing environment offering fun and learning for children and those who care for them. Who can attend? Any caregiver is welcome. Why did we create the groups? Focus groups and surveys tell us caregivers would enjoy coming together in a non-classroom setting, learning from each other, and sharing their experiences. We are currently contacting different community agencies to partner with as host sites. If you are interested in having a Play and Learn group in your area, please call or send an email to Theresa Fountain at 651-641-6610, tfountain@resourcesforchildcare.org



Share and learn while children create beautiful art work for you and their parents.

Training Information

Here are some of the classes offered by Resources for Child Caring that you may enjoy as a caregiver. For more information on other training opportunities or location of classes please contact **Theresa Fountain 651-641-6610**.

Reducing the Risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome& Shaken Baby – Wednesday Aug. 10th 7-9 pm

Sudden Infant Death – Tuesday August 15th

Shaken Baby Syndrome – Tuesday August 15th at 7:45 pm

Journey into the World of Children Literature – Thursday August 17th at 6:30 pm

Emergency Response – Saturday Aug. 12th at 9:00AM; or Saturday Aug. 19th at 9:00AM

GRANTS

Resources for Child Caring is looking for Family, Friend and Neighbor child care providers. Who is a FFN provider? They are a non licensed care giver who is caring for a family member or a friends or neighbors child, paid or unpaid care. Providing care any where from 3 to 40 hours a week.

Grants for learning material, safety, CPR & First Aid classes, other health and safety classes, books and educational toys are some of the examples of items that can be purchase with your grant. If you are caring for children ages 0 to school age and would like to learn more of the resources available to you call Theresa Fountain 651-641-6610.

CHILDREN ACTIVITIES

Information taken from: <http://preschoolerstoday.com>

Kindergarten Readiness Checklist

Not sure if your child is ready to tackle the world of kindergarten? This Kindergarten Readiness Checklist will give you an idea on what areas your child is doing well in, and where they may need some extra attention. It's a good idea to do the checklist with your child and work with them in the areas they need extra help. In a few weeks, do the checklist again to see how much your child has improved.

Personal Information

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| 1. Knows his/her full name | Yes | Not Yet |
| 2. Knows how old he/she is | Yes | Not Yet |
| 3. Knows his/her address and telephone number | Yes | Not Yet |
| 4. Knows his/her mother and father's first names | Yes | Not Yet |

Social Skills

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| 1. Uses words instead of being physical when angry | Yes | Not Yet |
| 2. Speaks clearly so an adult can understand him/her | Yes | Not Yet |
| 3. Plays with other children | Yes | Not Yet |
| 4. Follows simple directions | Yes | Not Yet |
| 5. Expresses feelings and needs | Yes | Not Yet |
| 6. Goes to the bathroom by him/herself | Yes | Not Yet |

For the full list of the Kindergarten Checklist visit our website at: www.resourcesforchildcare.org or call Theresa Fountain at 651-641-6610