

July 2024 Playgroups & Events

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TAKING REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2024: PLAY AND LEARN WITH KIM

Mondays & Wednesdays from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM ■ For Children 3+ and their caregivers
This group requires a two times a week commitment for the school year.

Have fun and get ready for school! Practice turn taking and participation in structured group activities and make lasting social connections!

Mondays: Hikes/walks in the community and field trips.

Wednesdays: Meet at Mason Library in Great Barrington for circle time, music, songs, story and activities!

Space is limited! Pre-registration only. Email chpplaygroups@chpberkshires.org to learn more!

BEYOND DELIVERY: WEEKLY POSTPARTUM SUPPORT

Tuesdays, 10-11 AM | At Barrington OB/GYN & via Zoom

This weekly gathering is for parents, children, and those who are pregnant. Conversations include breastfeeding, new family dynamics, postpartum depression, nutrition, and all topics related to becoming a new parent. The group provides a supportive experience for parents and their babies/children during the early postpartum period and well beyond. Available to current CHP patients. [Click here for more program info.](#)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
<p>PLAY BREAK 10:30 to 11:30 AM</p> <p>Join Cate for imaginative play music, story, and more!</p> <p>Held at the West Stockbridge Library.</p> 	<p>BRAIN BUILDERS 10:30 to 11:30 AM</p> <p>For ages 2 and up.</p> <p>Join Cate each week to explore, think, create, and play! Story time and outdoor play (weather permitting)!</p> <p>Held at the Mason Library, Great Barrington.</p>	<p>STOCKBRIDGE PLAY 10:00 to 11:00 AM</p> <p>Join Cate and enjoy the outdoors and playground! We'll also share songs and stories!</p> <p>Held at the Stockbridge Playground, weather permitting. Rain will move the group to CHP's Family Services Building, Great Barrington.</p>	<p>TODDLER PLAY 10:00 to 11:00 AM</p> <p>NO GROUP JULY 4</p> <p>Join Cate for indoor play, including the play kitchen, blocks, dolls, indoor slide, books, and lots of hands-on fun! We'll also share songs and stories!</p> <p>Held at the CHP Family Services Building, Great Barrington.</p>		
<p>Interested in how your child is developing?</p> <p>Visit agesandstages.com for an "Ages and Stages" questionnaire, and be sure to include your email for the results. You will receive information on how to support your child's development, activities to strengthen their growth, and access to resources offered by CHP and other area agencies as necessary.</p>		<p>"Play is our brain's favorite way of learning."</p> <p>—Diane Ackerman</p>		<p>*CHP FAMILY SERVICES IS ALSO FUNDED IN PART BY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Massachusetts Department of Public Health ■ The Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation ■ Massachusetts Local Cultural Councils ■ The Berkshire United Way 	
<p>SPECIAL EVENTS FOR JULY</p>					
<p>PARENTS' NIGHT OUT Berkshire Arts Center, Stockbridge Friday, July 12, from 6:00-8:00 PM</p> <p>In collaboration with Berkshire Arts Center, we present to you a night of art-making and social support! Join us for pizza and creativity. No experience necessary!</p> <p>Childcare is available for children 4 and over. Children will have their own art class!</p> <p>Space is limited. Pre-registration required. To register, email chpplaygroups@chpberkshires.org</p>					
<p>MEET TOM TYNINGS SCALED, TAILED, AND BULGING EYE FRIENDS! Lake Mansfield, Great Barrington Thursday, July 25, from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM</p> <p>Have you ever held a tiny turtle or gazed into the eyes of a charming milk snake? No? Fear not! Tom Tynning is headed back to Lake Mansfield this summer so that families can get up close and personal with creatures that we usually just get to glimpse.</p> <p>Please pre-register here: tinyurl.com/244ptjxm</p>					 <p>Scan the code or go to chpberkshires.org/family for more CHP Family Services information and programming.</p>